



# Journal of the House

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The House convened at 1:30 p.m. with the Speaker in the Chair.

The invocation was offered by Speaker B. Patrick Bauer.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Representative Brian C. Bosma.

The Speaker ordered the roll of the House to be called:

T. Adams	Kromkowski ...
Aguilera	Kruse
Alderman	Kuzman
Austin	LaPlante
Avery	L. Lawson
Ayres	Lehe
Bardon	Leonard
Becker	Liggett
Behning	J. Lutz
Bischoff	Lytle
Borror	Mahern
Bosma	Mangus
Bottorff	Mays
C. Brown	McClain
T. Brown	Messer
Buck	Moses
Budak	Murphy
Buell	Neese
Burton	Noe
Cheney	Orentlicher
Cherry	Oxley
Chowning	Pelath
Cochran	Pflum ...
Crawford	Pierce
Crooks	Pond
Day	Porter
Denbo	Reske
Dickinson	Richardson
Dobis	Ripley
Duncan	Robertson
Dvorak	Ruppel
Espich	Saunders
Foley	Scholer
Frenz	V. Smith
Friend	Stevenson
Frizzell	Stilwell
Fry	Stutzman
GiaQuinta	Summers
Goodin	Thomas
Grubb	Thompson
Gutwein	Torr
Harris	Turner
Hasler	Ulmer
Heim	Van Haaften
Herrell	Welch
Hinkle	Whetstone
Hoffman	Wolkins
Kersey	D. Young
Klinker	Yount
Koch	Mr. Speaker

Roll Call 233: 98 present; 2 excused. The Speaker announced a quorum in attendance. [NOTE: ... indicates those who were excused.]

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1234:

Conferees: Kenley and Lubbers  
Advisors: Server, Miller, Dillon, Ford, Rogers,  
Simpson, Sipes, and Breaux

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed, without amendments, Engrossed House Bills 1070, 1117, 1197, 1200, 1253, and 1352 and the same are herewith returned to the House.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed Engrossed House Bills 1044, 1050, 1133, 1136, 1151, 1194, 1203, 1207, 1244, 1264, 1285, 1300, 1394, 1401, 1437, and 1448 with amendments and the same are herewith returned to the House for concurrence.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed Engrossed House Bills 1229 and 1436 with amendments and the same are herewith returned to the House for concurrence.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed Senate Concurrent Resolution 20 and the same is herewith transmitted to the House for further action.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has sustained the veto of the Governor on Senate Enrolled Act 533.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed House Concurrent Resolution 24 and the same is herewith returned to the House.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed Senate Concurrent Resolutions 40 and 41 and the same are herewith transmitted to the House for further action.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that when we do adjourn, we adjourn until Tuesday, March 2, 2004 at 1:30 p.m.

CROOKS

Motion prevailed.

CONFEREES AND ADVISORS APPOINTED

The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives to conference committees on the following Engrossed House Bills (the Representative listed first is the Chair):

- EHB 1005 Conferees: Reske and Turner  
Advisors: Orentlicher and Noe
- EHB 1032 Conferees: Frenz and T. Brown  
Advisors: Oxley, Pierce, and Murphy
- EHB 1055 Conferees: Mays and Espich  
Advisors: Avery, Liggett, and Murphy
- EHB 1098 Conferees: Welch and T. Brown  
Advisors: Day and Stutzman
- EHB 1171 Conferees: C. Brown and Frizzell  
Advisors: Orentlicher and Becker
- EHB 1273 Conferees: Fry and Ripley  
Advisors: Herrell and Torr
- EHB 1320 Conferees: Hasler and Frizzell  
Advisors: Klinker, Kersey, and Scholer
- EHB 1365 Conferees: Cochran and Espich  
Advisors: Liggett, Frenz, Hoffman, and Turner
- EHB 1434 Conferees: Crawford and Thompson  
Advisors: Aguilera and Borrer

The Speaker announced the following changes in appointment of Representatives as conferees and advisors:

- EHB 1001 Advisor: GiaQuinta
- EHB 1234 Conferee: Ayres replacing Robertson  
Advisor: Robertson replacing Ayres

MOTIONS TO DISSENT  
FROM SENATE AMENDMENTS

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1017 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

GRUBB

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1151 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

MAHERN

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1203 and that the Speaker

appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

FRENZ

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1207 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

KUZMAN

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1229 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

BARDON

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1254 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

ROBERTSON

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1264 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

DVORAK

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1266 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

AYRES

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1285 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

GOODIN

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1350 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

AGUILERA

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1437 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

CRAWFORD

Motion prevailed.

## CONFEREES AND ADVISORS APPOINTED

The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives to conference committees on the following Engrossed House Bills (the Representative listed first is the Chair):

EHB 1017	Conferees:	Grubb and Wolkins
	Advisors:	Bottorff and Heim
EHB 1151	Conferees:	Mahern and Richardson
	Advisors:	Crooks and Thompson
EHB 1207	Conferees:	Kuzman and Whetstone
	Advisors:	Lytle and Scholer
EHB 1254	Conferees:	Robertson and Burton
	Advisors:	Goodin and Duncan
EHB 1266	Conferees:	Hasler and Ayres
	Advisors:	Austin, Borrer, and Thomas
EHB 1350	Conferees:	Aguilera and Budak
	Advisors:	Welch and Lehe
EHB 1437	Conferees:	Crawford and Foley
	Advisors:	Kuzman, Leonard, and Turner

## RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

### House Concurrent Resolution 35

Representatives Bardon, Burton, T. Adams, Aguilera, Alderman, Austin, Avery, Ayres, Bauer, Becker, Behning, Bischoff, Borrer, Bosma, Bottorff, C. Brown, T. Brown, Buck, Budak, Buell, Cheney, Cherry, Chowning, Cochran, Crawford, Crooks, Day, Denbo, Dickinson, Dobis, Duncan, Dvorak, Espich, Foley, Frenz, Friend, Frizzell, Fry, GiaQuinta, Goodin, Grubb, Gutwein, Harris, Hasler, Heim, Herrell, Hinkle, Hoffman, Kersey, Klinker, Koch, Kromkowski, Kruse, Kuzman, LaPlante, L. Lawson, Lehe, Leonard, Liggett, J. Lutz, Lytle, Mahern, Mangus, Mays, McClain, Messer, Moses, Murphy, Neese, Noe, Orentlicher, Oxley, Pelath, Pflum, Pierce, Pond, Porter, Reske, Richardson, Ripley, Robertson, Ruppel, Saunders, Scholer, V. Smith, Stevenson, Stilwell, Stutzman, Summers, Thomas, Thompson, Torr, Turner, Ulmer, Van Haaften, Welch, Whetstone, Wolkins, D. Young, and Yount introduced House Concurrent Resolution 35:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging Hoosiers to offer their prayers and support for the men and women serving in the United States Armed Forces and especially for those fighting the war on terrorism.

*Whereas, The torch of patriotism has been held high in Indiana and throughout the United States in support of our country and its armed forces;*

*Whereas, On Flanders fields and the beaches of Normandy, from the frozen mountains of Korea to the steaming jungles of Vietnam, on the burning sands of the Kuwaiti and Iraqi deserts to the mountains of Afghanistan, and at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001, over 27,000 Hoosiers have answered the call of freedom and have paid the ultimate price;*

*Whereas, There are 38,000 veterans receiving disability payments in Indiana, and 732 Hoosiers are still missing in action worldwide;*

*Whereas, No American wants to see the loss of even one more life;*

*Whereas, Mindful of these sacrifices, Hoosier men and women fighting the war on terrorism have responded to their country's call without hesitation;*

*Whereas, These brave men and women are supported at home through prayers, sacrifices, and the love of their families;*

*Whereas, All Hoosiers should remember these troops and their families in their thoughts and prayers;*

*Whereas, The Indiana General Assembly ardently supports the troops currently fighting against terrorism;*

*Whereas, The nation will be forever indebted to those who, in the call of duty, lost their lives in Operation Iraqi Freedom, including Specialist Brian Clemens, Lance Corporal David Fribley, Specialist Gregory Sanders, Specialist William A. Jeffries, Sergeant Duane*

*Rios, Private First Class Jason M. Meyer, Specialist Roy Buckley, Lance Corporal Matthew R. Smith, Private Jesse Halling, Private Shawn Pahnke, Specialist Chad L. Keith, Private Robert L. McKinley, Sergeant First Class Craig A. Boling, Specialist Ronald D. Allen, Jr., Specialist Ryan G. Carlock, Staff Sergeant Frederick L. Miller, Specialist Brian H. Penisten, Corporal Darrell Smith, Sergeant Jarrod W. Black, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Brian D. Hazelgrove, and Specialist Luke Frist; and*

*Whereas, On behalf of the people of the state of Indiana, the Indiana General Assembly pays special tribute to these servicemen who made the ultimate sacrifice and also pays tribute to the families and loved ones of those who have died: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly prays for the safe return of all of our troops stationed around the globe.

SECTION 2. That the Indiana General Assembly offers its gratitude and appreciation to the brave Hoosier men and women, veterans of the Armed Forces, and the families and friends who stand behind them.

SECTION 3. That the Indiana General Assembly and all Hoosiers offer their deepest sympathy to the families and friends of those who gave their lives in the service of their country.

SECTION 4. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the President of the United States; the United States Department of Defense; the presiding officers and the majority and minority leaders of both houses of the United States Congress; the Indiana congressional delegation; the Adjutant General of the Indiana National Guard and the Indiana Reserves; the commanding officers of the Grissom Air Reserve Base; and to the families of the men who gave their lives during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by acclamation. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsors: Senators Garton and R. Young.

### House Concurrent Resolution 36

Representative Porter introduced House Concurrent Resolution 36:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Indiana Congressional delegation to take the lead in seeking changes to the No Child Left Behind Act.

*Whereas, Although the goals of the No Child Left Behind Act are admirable, the high standards mean that few schools will be able to comply;*

*Whereas, The federal government has failed to provide adequate funding to fully implement the 45 provisions of the Act;*

*Whereas, Indiana has a real opportunity to make the No Child Left Behind Act a law that can serve young people, but some modifications must be made to the Act;*

*Whereas, The necessary changes are to: replace the goal of 100% proficiency for all students by the 2013-2014 school year with the goals of Indiana's Public Law 221-1999, assess the progress of the low-incidence cognitively impaired students using separate goals and time lines adapted to each group's uniqueness, use demonstrated improvement on individualized education program goals as an additional factor in determining adequate yearly progress where the special education breakout is the sole concern, revise the safe harbor provisions in the No Child Left Behind Act to fix an appropriate measure regarding the improvement required, measure improvement over time, and base improvement on same-student cohorts as provided in Indiana's Public Law 221-1999; and*

*Whereas, The purpose of the No Child Left Behind Act is "to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach, at a minimum, proficiency on challenging state academic achievement standards and state academic assessments"; the General Assembly believes that this goal can be achieved, but that some changes to the Act must be made: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly urges the Indiana Congressional delegation to take the lead in seeking changes to the No Child Left Behind Act that will make it possible to achieve the goals of the Act.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the Indiana Congressional delegation.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Kenley.

### House Concurrent Resolution 37

Representatives Hasler, Becker, Stilwell, and Avery introduced House Concurrent Resolution 37:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the town of Newburgh on the 200th anniversary of its founding.

*Whereas, Last year marked a special occasion for the citizens of the small southwestern town of Newburgh;*

*Whereas, Newburgh celebrated the 200th anniversary of its founding in 2003;*

*Whereas, This quaint town, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is located along the banks of the Ohio River east of Evansville;*

*Whereas, Newburgh, which was first settled in 1803, is one of the oldest communities in southwestern Indiana;*

*Whereas, Starting in the 1850s and continuing for the next 30 years, Newburgh was the largest river port between Cincinnati and New Orleans;*

*Whereas, During this period, boats arrived and departed daily, warehouses lined the riverbank, steamboats brought goods to this busy Ohio River port, and settlers traded their produce for life's necessities;*

*Whereas, While Newburgh is no longer the bustling city of the 1850s, it still offers an exceptional quality of life to its citizens and visitors;*

*Whereas, This scenic town offers opportunities to go on historic walking tours, learn about Civil War history, browse the riverfront walkway, and enjoy its many parks, festivals, antique shops, dining facilities, and unique specialty shops;*

*Whereas, The citizens of Newburgh, Indiana, will join with their sister city of Newburgh, England, in celebrating that city's 900th anniversary; and*

*Whereas, Indiana's history is made up of small towns like Newburgh; the citizens of Indiana should remember fondly the many contributions communities like Newburgh have made to the development of our state: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the citizens of Newburgh on the 200th anniversary of Newburgh's founding.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the town council of Newburgh.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsors: Senators Server and R. Young.

### House Concurrent Resolution 38

Representative Crawford introduced House Concurrent Resolution 38:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging diversity and inclusion in the American private enterprise system.

*Whereas, The Indiana General Assembly finds and declares that the essence of the American private enterprise system is free competition;*

*Whereas, Only through full and free competition can free markets, reasonable and just prices, free entry into business, and opportunities for the expression and growth of personal initiative and individual judgment be assured;*

*Whereas, The preservation and expansion of that competition is basic to Indiana's economic well-being, which cannot be realized unless the actual and potential capacity of women, minority, and small business enterprises is encouraged and developed;*

*Whereas, It is the declared policy of the state to aid the interests of women, minority, and small business enterprises in order to preserve reasonable and just prices and a free competitive enterprise, to ensure that a fair proportion of the total purchases and contracts or subcontracts for commodities, supplies, technology, property, and services for regulated utilities are awarded to women, minority, and small business enterprises, and to maintain and strengthen the overall economy of Indiana;*

*Whereas, The Indiana General Assembly believes that the opportunity for full participation in our free enterprise system by women, minority, and small business enterprises is essential if Indiana is to attain social and economic equality for those businesses and improve the functioning of Indiana's economy;*

*Whereas, Public agencies that have established short and long range goals for women, minority, and small business enterprises are awarding at least 5% of the agencies' contracts to these business enterprises;*

*Whereas, Women, minority, and small business enterprises have traditionally received less than a proportionate share of regulated public utility procurement contracts;*

*Whereas, It is in the interest of Indiana to expeditiously improve the economically disadvantaged position of women, minority, and small business enterprises;*

*Whereas, The position of these businesses can be improved by providing long range substantial procurement goals for regulated public utilities of technology, equipment, supplies, services, materials, and construction work utilizing women, minority, and small businesses; and*

*Whereas, The procurement processes utilizing women, minority, and small businesses also benefit the public utilities and Indiana consumers by encouraging the expansion of the number of suppliers for procurement, thereby encouraging competition among the suppliers and promoting economic efficiency: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly encourages the development of greater economic opportunity for women, minority, and disabled veteran business enterprises; promotion of competition among regulated public utility suppliers in order to enhance economic efficiency in the procurement of electrical, gas, and telephone corporation contracts and contracts of their commission regulated subsidiaries and affiliates; and clarification and expansion of the program for the procurement by regulated public utilities of technology, equipment, supplies, services, materials, and construction work from women, minority, and small business enterprises.

SECTION 2. That the Minority Business Development Division of the Indiana Department of Administration shall establish guidelines for all electrical, gas, and telephone corporations and their subsidiaries and affiliates to be used in establishing programs that promote procurement practices utilizing women, minority, and small business.

SECTION 3. That each electrical, gas, and telephone corporation shall furnish an annual report to the Minority Business Development Division of the Indiana Department of Administration regarding the implementation of programs that develop economic opportunity for women, minority, and small business enterprises and that the Minority Business Development Division of the Indiana Department of Administration shall annually designate the form for the report and

the time that the report be submitted.

SECTION 4. That the Minority Business Development Division of the Indiana Department of Administration shall provide a report to the Indiana General Assembly not later than November 1 of each year on the progress of the activities undertaken by each electrical, gas, and telephone corporation in the implementation of women, minority, and small business enterprise vendor development programs. The report shall include a program recommendation and a recommendation for legislation that the Minority Business Development Division of the Indiana Department of Administration considers necessary to further greater economic opportunity for women, minority, and small business enterprises.

SECTION 5. That the Minority Business Development Division of the Indiana Department of Administration shall adopt criteria for verifying and determining the eligibility of women, minority, and small business enterprises for procurement contracts and develop an outreach program to inform and recruit women, minority, and small business enterprises to apply for procurement contracts.

SECTION 6. That each electrical, gas, and telephone corporation and its subsidiaries and affiliates shall implement an outreach program developed by the Minority Business Development Division of the Indiana Department of Administration.

SECTION 7. That to facilitate the participation of women, minority, and small business enterprises in contract procurement, a corporation may consider the following measures to include those businesses in all phases of contracting:

- (1) Timely or progressive payments to those businesses.
- (2) An amendment of the performance bond requirements when past performance within a specified area of business justifies that consideration.
- (3) The provision of assistance to those businesses by securing contract payments to those businesses with letters of credit, negotiable securities, or other financing arrangements or measures.

SECTION 8. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Minority Business Development Division of the Indiana Department of Administration.

The resolution was read a first time.

#### HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Concurrent Resolution 38 be made a special order of business for Tuesday, March 2 at 3:00 p.m.

BOSMA

Motion prevailed.

#### House Concurrent Resolution 39

Representatives Grubb and Herrell introduced House Concurrent Resolution 39:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Patrick R. Ralston for his hard work and dedication to the State of Indiana, serving under four governors, as he retires after many years of service.

*Whereas, Patrick R. Ralston began his state career in 1974 with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources;*

*Whereas, In 1979 he was honored for heroism by Governor Otis Bowen;*

*Whereas, In his commendation, Governor Bowen noted Patrick R. Ralston was seriously injured in an explosion at Turkey Run State Park, during which time, "Mr. Ralston courageously rescued the life of his co-worker";*

*Whereas, Patrick R. Ralston was appointed Director of the Department of Natural Resources by Governor Evan Bayh in 1989;*

*Whereas, During his tenure, with the cooperation and assistance of the Indiana General Assembly, the Charlestown, Summit Lake, Falls of the Ohio, and Fort Benjamin Harrison State Parks and the John Hillenbrand Fish & Wildlife Area were created;*

*Whereas, Patrick R. Ralston's tenure, with the cooperation and assistance of the Indiana General Assembly, was also instrumental in creating and leading the Indiana Heritage Trust and Natural Resources Foundation, raising millions of dollars to preserve Indiana's rich natural heritage;*

*Whereas, Governor Frank O'Bannon appointed Patrick R. Ralston as Executive Director of the Indiana State Emergency Management Agency and Department of Fire and Building Services and Chair of the Public Safety Training Institute in 1997;*

*Whereas, Since then, Patrick R. Ralston has led Indiana's response and recovery to seven major presidential disasters and two presidential emergencies, established a statewide terrorism task force, oversaw improvements in emergency medical services for Hoosiers, increased efficiency processing building design release requests and amusement ride safety and the spread of fire safety education for children;*

*Whereas, Patrick R. Ralston was instrumental in the establishment of the Emergency Management, Fire and Building, and Public Safety Training Foundation, which created the "Hoosier Safety" license plate in the year 2000 that will have raised a million dollars for public safety projects by the end of 2004; and*

*Whereas, Patrick R. Ralston, who served his country during the Viet Nam War, has been named to numerous national boards and commissions and received many honors for his leadership and expertise: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly honors Patrick R. Ralston for his dedicated service to the state of Indiana and the country.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Patrick R. Ralston.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Wyss.

#### House Concurrent Resolution 40

Representative Porter introduced House Concurrent Resolution 40:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the Bishop Chatard High School football team.

*Whereas, The Bishop Chatard High School football team has a perfect 7-0 record in the state championships;*

*Whereas, The November 29, 2003, 49-0 victory in the Class 3A state football championship marks the third consecutive year that the Trojans have been victorious in the state championships;*

*Whereas, During the 2003 championship game, running back Dray Mason set five individual 3A records, and the team set thirteen records, including most points in a quarter, most total points, and greatest margin of victory;*

*Whereas, In the three consecutive title years, the Trojans amassed a 40-5 record that included a perfect 15-0 season in 2002;*

*Whereas, With the victory in their seventh state football championship title game, the Trojans move into a tie with Ben Davis High School and Roncalli High School for the most football championships in state history;*

*Whereas, The Trojans also became the first Class 3A school and the third school in state finals football history to win three consecutive state championships;*

*Whereas, The Trojans have won five of their seven state titles in Class 3A. The other two victories (1983 and 1984) were in Class 2A; and*

*Whereas, Excellence such as that displayed by the Chatard Trojans deserves special recognition: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the Chatard High School Trojans on their Class 3A football victory and wishes them continued success in the future, both on and off the football field.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to each member of the Trojans football team, Principal James Kedra, and school president, Brother Joseph Umile.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Lubbers.

### House Concurrent Resolution 41

Representative Foley introduced House Concurrent Resolution 41:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the Martinsville High School academic decathlon team.

*Whereas, The Martinsville High School academic decathlon team captured the 2004 state championship in the large school division at Purdue University in West Lafayette;*

*Whereas, This victory marks the seventh consecutive year that the Martinsville High School team has won the title;*

*Whereas, The team's honors division received special recognition for dominating the competition; Sadie Davis and Zach Ramey tied for the competition's highest overall individual score with 7,543 points, and Zach Voyles had the second highest score with 7,531 points for the ten events;*

*Whereas, Individual medal winners include Sadie Davis, with gold in overall individual, music, and Super Quiz, silver in language/literature, and speech, and bronze in art, essay, and science; Zach Ramey, with gold in overall individual, art, and Super Quiz, and silver in economics and language/literature; Zach Voyles, with gold in economics, science, and Super Quiz, silver in overall individual, and bronze in speech and music; Michael Land, with gold in art, music, science, and Super Quiz, silver in overall individual and economics, and bronze in math; Allison Palmer, with gold in interview, speech, and Super Quiz; Stevi Waggoner, with gold in Super Quiz, silver in art, and bronze in language/literature; Sam Knox, with gold in language/literature, music, and Super Quiz, and silver in art; Nicholas Richards, with gold in overall individual, art, economics, interview, music, science, and Super Quiz, silver in math, and bronze in language/literature;*

*Whereas, Martinsville won the large school division with a score of 36,765 points;*

*Whereas, As Indiana's highest scoring team, Martinsville has won the right to represent Indiana in the national championship in Boise, Idaho, where the team will compete against 40 other state champions and the champion from British Columbia, Canada;*

*Whereas, This appearance in the nationals will mark the school's sixth appearance, having competed in Providence, Rhode Island; Anaheim, California; Anchorage, Alaska; Phoenix, Arizona; and Erie, Pennsylvania;*

*Whereas, Martinsville's best finish in the national competition occurred last year in Erie, Pennsylvania, when the team finished fourth in the nation in Division II;*

*Whereas, Coach Wayne Babbitt emphasizes that, even though individuals on the team have accomplished great things, the team's success is due to the effort put forth by the entire team;*

*Whereas, Coach Babbitt also stresses that, in addition to the honor of winning, the value of the academic decathlon is that it prepares the participants for college and later life by emphasizing good study skills and learning new subjects; and*

*Whereas, This state title is a continuation of the long line of successes achieved by the Martinsville High School academic teams: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the members of the Martinsville High School academic decathlon team for capturing the state championship for the large school division in the Hoosier Academic Decathlon state championship for the seventh consecutive year and wishes them continued success in all future

endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to team members Michael Land, Allison Palmer, Sadie Davis, Stevi Waggoner, Nicholas Richards, Sam Knox, Zach Voyles, and Zach Ramey; coach Wayne Babbitt; and the principal of Martinsville High School.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Bray.

### House Concurrent Resolution 42

Representative Foley introduced House Concurrent Resolution 42:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the Martinsville High School Spell Bowl Team.

*Whereas, The Martinsville High School Spell Bowl Team is a 2003 Class One Hoosier Spell Bowl State Co-Champion;*

*Whereas, For the second straight year, Martinsville High School and Penn High School were co-champions;*

*Whereas, The Martinsville High School Spell Bowl Team became a 2003 state co-champion with a score of 89 points out of a possible 90 points;*

*Whereas, The 2003 victory was the fifth Hoosier Spell Bowl State Championship title for the Martinsville team and brings the total of state championships for all academic areas to fourteen, the most among Class I schools;*

*Whereas, Coach Wayne Babbitt was especially proud of the effort put forth by the 2003 team;*

*Whereas, The members of the 2003 team stepped up to fill the void left by last year's departing seniors;*

*Whereas, The Indiana Academic Competitions for Excellence (IACE) sponsors three annual competitions for Indiana high schools—Hoosier Spell Bowl, Academic Decathlon, and Academic Super Bowl;*

*Whereas, Martinsville High School is the only school to have won at least three state championships in each of these events;*

*Whereas, Excellence in academics deserves special recognition: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to congratulate the Martinsville High School Spell Bowl Team on its recent victory and to wish the team continued success in future competitions.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to team members Mike Land, Sadie Davis, Amy Beth Costin, Mileah Davis, Megan Ward, Josh Blanford, Andy Lane, Zach Ramey, Amanda Isom, and Katie Sipla; to Coach Wayne Babbitt; to Assistant Principals Eric Bowlen, Jill Keller, and Rick Heacock; to Principal Don Alkire; and to Superintendent Ron D. Furniss.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Bray.

### House Resolution 37

Representatives Bauer, Bosma, T. Adams, Aguilera, Alderman, Austin, Avery, Ayres, Bardón, Becker, Behning, Bischoff, Borró, Bortoff, C. Brown, T. Brown, Buck, Budak, Buell, Burton, Cheney, Cherry, Chowning, Cochran, Crawford, Crooks, Day, Denbo, Dickinson, Dobis, Duncan, Dvorak, Espich, Foley, Frenz, Friend, Frizzell, Fry, GiaQuinta, Goodin, Grubb, Gutwein, Harris, Hasler, Heim, Herrell, Hinkle, Hoffman, Kersey, Klinker, Koch, Kromkowski, Kruse, Kuzman, LaPlante, L. Lawson, Lehe, Leonard, Liggett, J. Lutz, Lytle, Mahern, Mangus, Mays, McClain, Messer, Moses, Murphy, Neese, Noe, Orentlicher, Oxley, Pelath, Pflum, Pierce, Pond, Porter, Reske, Richardson, Ripley, Robertson, Ruppel,

Saunders, Scholer, V. Smith, Stevenson, Stilwell, Stutzman, Summers, Thomas, Thompson, Torr, Turner, Ulmer, Van Haaften, Welch, Whetstone, Wolkins, D. Young, and Yount introduced House Resolution 37:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring the legislative interns for the House of Representatives during the Second Regular Session of the 113th Indiana General Assembly.

*Whereas, The following men and women have ably served as legislative interns for the Democratic Caucus of the House of Representatives during the Second Regular Session of the 113th Indiana General Assembly: Brian Brankle, Brett Carnahan, Sofia Conner, Francis Dwumah-Okere, Stephen Elkins, Jr., Cynthia Grubbs, David Gudal, Marcus Hawkins, Brooke Hewson, Chad Horrell, Brooke Jones, Eric Jones, Jason Knill, Dea Lott, Aiesha Miller, Ryan Moore, Andrew Reed, Scott Ricke, Steven Tyler Riggs, Katherine Robertson, Jennifer Schaefer, and Christina Wessel;*

*Whereas, The following men and women have ably served as legislative interns for the Republican Caucus of the House of Representatives during the Second Regular Session of the 113th Indiana General Assembly: Sean Bannon, Matthew Boston, Lori Brokaw, Jill Brooks, Nickole Burton, Stephen Christman, Matthew Cunningham, Angel Herendeen, Jason Hessler, Amanda Kopetsky, Kip Lacy, Justin McAdam, Shawn McMahan, Holly Smith, David Warycha, Cari Watson, Paul Wehmeier, and Gretchen White;*

*Whereas, The work of the legislative interns is vital to the success of each session of the Indiana General Assembly;*

*Whereas, The members of the Indiana House of Representatives express their gratitude to those individuals who have participated in the valuable experience of both the Democratic and Republican internship programs;*

*Whereas, The legislative interns serving in 2004 represent the best and brightest future leaders of Indiana;*

*Whereas, Many past legislative interns have gone on to achieve significant personal, academic, political, and professional goals; and*

*Whereas, The 2004 legislative intern class contains outstanding young leaders who will make a very positive contribution to Indiana in the years to come; Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives recognizes the important contributions made by the individuals who are serving as legislative interns with the House of Representatives during the Second Regular Session of the 113th Indiana General Assembly.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to each legislative intern.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

#### **House Resolution 48**

Representatives Bauer and Bosma introduced House Resolution 48:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION commending Verizon for its role in helping promote the legislative internship programs of the Indiana House of Representatives.

*Whereas, Verizon has demonstrated a worthy commitment to the educational, political and public service opportunities afforded the participants in both the House Democratic and House Republican Legislative Internship Programs;*

*Whereas, Each of the participants in the Indiana House Legislative Internship Programs is an outstanding young person devoted to a keener understanding of Indiana's legislative process; and*

*Whereas, Verizon's willingness to provide academic scholarships to outstanding legislative interns from each of the General Assembly's caucuses enables legislators and staff alike to recognize and reward exemplary job performance among interns: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives commends Verizon for its role in helping promote the legislative internship programs of the Indiana House of Representatives.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit to Gale Y. Given, Great Lakes Region President of Verizon, and Neil Krevda, Verizon Director of Legislative Affairs.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

Gale Y. Given, Great Lakes Region President of Verizon, presented the awards for 2004 to Brooke Hewson, Outstanding Democrat Intern, and Jill Brooks, Outstanding Republican Intern.

#### **House Resolution 38**

Representatives Ruppel, Goodin, Duncan, Cherry, Grubb, Saunders, and Gutwein introduced House Resolution 38:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Mikki K. Marshall, Indiana FFA State Northern Region Vice President.

*Whereas, Mikki K. Marshall was named Indiana FFA State Northern Region Vice President for 2003-2004 during which time she will travel the state of Indiana promoting agricultural education, speaking to more than 6,000 students, and presenting numerous workshops;*

*Whereas, Mikki K. Marshall has been active on the chapter, district, state, and national levels, serving as her chapter Junior Officer President and two-term Senior Officer President, District VI Reporter and President, and delegate to the National and State Conventions, as well as attending National Leadership Conference for State Officers, Premiere Leadership Training, and State Degree Scoring Workshop;*

*Whereas, Mikki K. Marshall has been named an Outstanding Freshman, Purdue University Junior Scholar, FFA Member of the Year, and Chapter State Farmer;*

*Whereas, Mikki K. Marshall's supervised agricultural experience program consists of a variety of livestock projects including a flock of twenty-eight sheep and one ram, as well as raising swine, poultry and cattle; and*

*Whereas, Mikki K. Marshall looks forward to attending Joliet Junior College, majoring in agricultural education and then hopes to continue her education at Purdue University: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives honors Mikki K. Marshall, Indiana FFA State Northern Region Vice President, for her remarkable achievements and leadership.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Mikki K. Marshall.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

#### **House Resolution 39**

Representatives Ruppel and Goodin introduced House Resolution 39:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Tim Green, Indiana FFA State Reporter.

*Whereas, Tim Green was named Indiana FFA State Reporter for 2003-2004 during which time he will travel the state of Indiana promoting agricultural education, speaking to more than 6,000 students and presenting numerous workshops;*

*Whereas, Tim Green has been active in FFA on the chapter, district, state, and national level, serving as Chapter Reporter two consecutive years, State Chorus Librarian, and District XI Reporter as well as attending Advanced Leadership Development, Premier Leadership Training, and Leadership Development Workshop;*

*Whereas, Tim Green's commitment and leadership has earned him numerous awards including the Purdue University Junior Scholar,*



*Chapter Star in Agricultural Placement, and Salutatorian awards;*

*Whereas, Tim Green's supervised agricultural experience is Agricultural Communications, and he has developed and published websites, bimonthly newsletters, and business cards, earning first place at the state level in 2002, and a silver rating at the national level; and*

*Whereas, Tim Green is going to attend Purdue University working toward a double major in agricultural education and agricultural communications: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives honors Tim Green, Indiana FFA State Reporter, for his remarkable achievements and leadership.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Tim Green.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

#### House Resolution 40

Representatives Ruppel and Duncan introduced House Resolution 40:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Jessica R. Geisler, Indiana FFA State Secretary.

*Whereas, Jessica R. Geisler was named Indiana FFA State Secretary for 2003- 2004 during which time she will travel the state of Indiana promoting agricultural education, speaking to more than 6,000 students, and presenting numerous workshops;*

*Whereas, Jessica R. Geisler has been active in FFA on the chapter, district, state, and national levels, serving as Chapter Vice-President and Secretary, District Secretary and State Chorus Reporter, as well as attending Premier Leadership Training, National Leadership Conference for State Officers, and State Presidents Conference;*

*Whereas, Jessica R. Geisler's supervised agricultural experience program consists of working on the family farm, as well as raising three to five hogs during the summer to show and sell at the county 4-H fair, and*

*Whereas, Jessica R. Geisler plans to attend Purdue University and major in agricultural education: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives honors Jessica R. Geisler, Indiana FFA State Secretary, for her remarkable achievements and leadership.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Jessica Geisler.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

#### House Resolution 41

Representatives Ruppel and Cherry introduced House Resolution 41:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Amber R. Ebbert, Indiana FFA State Treasurer.

*Whereas, Amber R. Ebbert was named Indiana FFA State Treasurer for 2003-2004 during which time she will travel the state of Indiana promoting agricultural education, speaking to more than 6,000 students, and presenting numerous workshops;*

*Whereas, Amber R. Ebbert has been active in FFA on the chapter, district, state, and national level, serving as Chapter Vice President and President, District Secretary and President, and attending the Washington Leadership Conference and National Leadership Conference for State Officers;*

*Whereas, Amber R. Ebbert has been recognized with the Star Greenhand, Chapter Star Farmer, Chapter Star in Agribusiness, as well as receiving the Daniel Edington Pork Producers scholarship, 4-H Foundation scholarship, and W. G. Smith scholarship;*

*Whereas, Amber R. Ebbert's supervised agricultural experience program consists of crossbreed, spotted, and duroc sows, as well as a small show cattle operation;*

*Whereas, In 2001, Amber R. Ebbert earned Reserve Champion Charolais Heifer at the Junior National Livestock show in Louisville, Kentucky, as well as numerous Grand Champions and Reserve Grand Champions at the county level; and*

*Whereas, Amber R. Ebbert earned a full-ride scholarship to Joliet Junior College, after which she will study Animal Science at Iowa State University: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives honors Amber R. Ebbert, Indiana FFA State Treasurer for her remarkable achievements and leadership.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Amber R. Ebbert.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

#### House Resolution 42

Representatives Ruppel and Grubb introduced House Resolution 42:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Micah J. Haltom, Indiana FFA State Sentinel.

*Whereas, Micah J. Haltom was named Indiana FFA State Sentinel for 2003-2004 during which time she will travel the state of Indiana promoting agricultural education, speaking for more than 6,000 students, and presenting numerous workshops;*

*Whereas, Micah J. Haltom has been active on the chapter, district, state, and national level, serving as Chapter Secretary and District Treasurer, as well as attending the Washington Leadership Conference, Premier Leadership Training, Leadership Development Workshop, and participating in the National Agricultural Ambassador Program;*

*Whereas, Micah J. Haltom's involvement and leadership has led to her receiving such honors as the Purdue University Junior Agricultural Scholar and the Chapter Scholarship Award;*

*Whereas, Micah J. Haltom's supervised agricultural experience is diversified livestock production, raising beef cattle and swine of various breeds for show purposes, and*

*Whereas, Micah J. Haltom plans to attend Purdue University to study Agribusiness Management: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives honors Micah J. Haltom, Indiana FFA State Sentinel, for her remarkable achievements and leadership.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Micah J. Haltom.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

#### House Resolution 43

Representatives Ruppel and Saunders introduced House Resolution 43:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Michael L. McDaniel, Indiana FFA State Southern Region Vice President.

*Whereas, Michael L. McDaniel was named Indiana FFA State Southern Region Vice President for 2003-2004 during which time he will travel the state of Indiana promoting agricultural education, speaking for more than 6,000 students, and presenting numerous workshops;*

*Whereas, Michael L. McDaniel has been active on the chapter, district, state, and national levels, serving as Chapter Secretary, President, and District IX Sentinel, as well as attending Premier Leadership Training, NLCSO, and Leadership Development*



*Workshops;*

*Whereas, Michael L. McDaniel has been recognized locally with Star Greenhand, Outstanding Senior Award, Dekalb Leadership Award, DAR Good Citizen, Purdue's Dean Scholar, Bayer Crop Science Scholarship, and the National FFA's AGCO Scholarship;*

*Whereas, Michael L. McDaniel placed first in Leadership Ambassador, Agriculture Issues Forum, and interviewed for his chapter in the Top Ten Chapter Award, as well as contributing to the Parliamentary Procedures team four years, placing top four at state each year; and*

*Whereas, Michael L. McDaniel plans to attend Purdue University, majoring in International Agronomy with minors in Spanish and Political Science, and then earn his master's degree in International Business, studying in either Brazil or Spain: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives honors Michael L. McDaniel, Indiana FFA State Southern Region Vice President, for his remarkable achievements and leadership.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Michael L. McDaniel.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

**House Resolution 44**

Representatives Ruppel and Gutwein introduced House Resolution 44:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Shane S. Hageman, Indiana FFA State President.

*Whereas, Shane S. Hageman was named Indiana FFA State President for 2003-2004 during which time he will travel the state of Indiana promoting agricultural education, speaking to more than 6,000 students, and presenting numerous workshops;*

*Whereas, Shane S. Hageman has been active on the chapter, district, state, and national levels; serving as Chapter Vice President and President, District Vice President and Section Director, as well as attending Washington Leadership Conference Advances Leadership Development and Made for Excellence;*

*Whereas, Shane S. Hageman has been recognized for his commitment and leadership with Star Greenhand, Chapter Star Farmer, Dekalb Leadership Award, and Purdue Junior Achievement Award;*

*Whereas, Shane S. Hageman's supervised agricultural experience program consists of farming 80 acres of seed corn and soybeans on a rotational basis, co-owner and operator of S & S Pumpkin Farm as well as diversified crop production and fiber/oil crop production; and*

*Whereas, Shane S. Hageman looks forward to attending Purdue University, majoring in agricultural economics before pursuing a master's degree in business: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives honors Shane S. Hageman, Indiana FFA State President, for his remarkable achievements and leadership.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Shane S. Hageman.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

**House Resolution 45**

Representatives Stevenson, Harris, Aguilera, L. Lawson, Dobis, Kuzman, V. Smith, and C. Brown introduced House Resolution 45:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION memorializing John Bierman.

*Whereas, John Bierman, Democratic Party chairman for 32 years and a member of the Lake County Election Board since 1997, died February 16, 2004, at the age of 76;*

*Whereas, John Bierman was an institution in Lake County politics, having served as a precinct committeeman for more than 40 years, and the Griffith Democratic town chairman;*

*Whereas, John Bierman retired from U.S. Steel with 20 years of service and served as a negotiator for United Steelworkers Local 1010 in East Chicago;*

*Whereas, John Bierman was a member of St. Mary Church of Griffith, a member of Griffith American Legion Post 66, and Griffith VFW Post 9982;*

*Whereas, John Bierman was an honest, genuine person who was always ready to defend his beliefs;*

*Whereas, John Bierman spent several decades of his life in service to the Democratic Party and the citizens of Griffith and has influenced countless young politicians through his advice and counsel; and*

*Whereas, John Bierman touched the lives of many people, he will be greatly missed: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to express its sincerest sympathy to the family of John Bierman and its gratitude for the many contributions John Bierman made to the Democratic Party and the state of Indiana.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to his two daughters, Pamela S. Bierman of Merrillville and Jackie (Sherman) Griffith of Maryland; his two sons, John E. (Joellyn) Bierman Jr. of Griffith and Gene V. (Marcia) Bierman of Highland; his eight grandchildren: Lorie, Michael, Timothy, Madelyne, Kellyn, Kristin, Brett and Trent; and his one great-grandchild, Alexandra Marie Paulk.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

**House Resolution 46**

Representatives Stevenson, Harris, Aguilera introduced House Resolution 46:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing the town of Griffith on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of its incorporation on October 29, 2004.

*Whereas, The story of Griffith, Indiana, began in 1891 when Jay and Elmer Dwiggs bought farm land surrounding the interchange point to establish what they referred to as "a factory town";*

*Whereas, Because of its proximity to the railroads, the Dwiggs envisioned Griffith as a manufacturing metropolis rivaling Chicago;*

*Whereas, In its prime, Griffith saw more than 180 trains come through each day; only two railroads remain today—the Elgin Joliet and Eastern and the Grand Trunk;*

*Whereas, Griffith had no legitimate town government, and its 359 citizens were dependent upon the townships and county to provide basic governmental services;*

*Whereas, In late October 1904, Griffith citizens John Miller, Reuben Andrews, and Lou Southworth met to plan the first town election, which was held the following month;*

*Whereas, In the 2000 census, Griffith recorded a population of 17,334 and covered an area of approximately seven square miles;*

*Whereas, Today, Griffith is governed by a town council composed of five members and a clerk-treasurer; and*

*Whereas, Indiana's history is made up of small towns just like Griffith. The citizens of Indiana should remember fondly the many contributions that communities like Griffith have made to the development of our state: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates the town of Griffith, Indiana, on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of its incorporation.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of

Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Griffith Town Council President Stan Dobosz.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 47

Representatives Dobis, Bauer, Aguilera, Chowning, Harris, Liggett, Kromkowski, Pflum, and Stilwell introduced House Resolution 47:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION concerning Indiana job loss and United States trade policy.

*Whereas, Manufacturing jobs, which build and sustain America's middle class, are disappearing; the United States has lost more than 2,000,000 manufacturing jobs since 2001;*

*Whereas, The creation of the World Trade Organization and the strong bipartisan support and passage of trade agreements, such as the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and the North American Free Trade Agreement, occurred amidst promises from leadership of both parties that the benefits would far outweigh the negative effects;*

*Whereas, The annual trade deficit has hit a record high of over \$450 billion, growing by more than 600% in the past ten years;*

*Whereas, The trade deficit with China accounted for a quarter of the record trade deficit, amounting to \$114.09 billion in unadjusted figures;*

*Whereas, The trade deficit with Canada and Mexico has ballooned to nine times its size before the passage of NAFTA;*

*Whereas, The current administration is working on a new trade agreement, Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA), which is expected to be presented to the United States Congress in 2005, and has recently endorsed the Central American Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA); and*

*Whereas, The tremendous effects of the manufacturing crisis in Indiana are obvious on the tax base and budgets and local, county, and state governments, schools, and public services; Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the President of the United States and Congress are urged to address the adverse effects on trade in this nation due to the misalignment and manipulation of currency by the Chinese, other East Asian governments, and any other countries that artificially lower the value of their currency relative to the dollar.

SECTION 2. That the President of the United States and Congress are urged to level the playing field for companies and workers across international borders by ensuring that international trade agreements require that corporations pay fair and competitive wages, respect the right to unionize, and adopt workplace safety and antipollution standards equivalent to those in the United States.

SECTION 3. That the President of the United States and Congress are urged to reassess the goals of United States trade policies and the effectiveness of agreements that have been reached in the past.

SECTION 4. That the President of the United States and Congress are urged to promote economic development initiatives both at home and abroad and provide economic incentives in the form of grants to sectors that have experienced record job loss since the passage of NAFTA, namely manufacturers and small business owners. This action would force reinvestment in American products and services as well as reinvigorate our economy.

SECTION 5. That the President of the United States and Congress are urged to reimpose steel tariffs on foreign-produced steel.

SECTION 6. That the President of the United States and Congress are urged to assess the rapid impact of import growth in the economy versus exports and the effects this trend is having on the economy, forcing the record current trade deficit the country is experiencing to be addressed.

SECTION 7. That the Interim House Study Committee on International Trade and Labor Issues held four meetings during the 2003 legislative interim in four geographically and economically diverse areas of the state: Indianapolis, Gary, Fort Wayne, and Jasper. Testimony at each of these meetings was passionate, and committee members heard from Hoosiers who represented a variety of different

sectors of Indiana's economy. Farmers, small business owners, workers, labor unions, large and small employers, academics, congressional aides, and trade experts all testified before the committee on the negative effects unfair trade agreements have had on them personally, their families, communities, this state, and their jobs.

SECTION 8. That the Speaker of the House of Representatives is encouraged to dispatch a bipartisan group to meet with the Indiana congressional delegation and the appropriate agencies to convey the impact these unfair trade practices are having on the Indiana manufacturing sector.

SECTION 9. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States and each member of the Indiana congressional delegation.

The resolution was read a first time.

### HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Resolution 47 be made a special order of business for Tuesday, March 2 at 2:30 p.m.

BOSMA

Motion prevailed.

The Speaker yielded the gavel to the Speaker Pro Tempore, Representative Dobis.

### House Resolution 49

Representatives Whetstone and Lytle introduced House Resolution 49:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION urging the establishment of an interim study committee on charity gaming.

*Whereas, Charity gaming is an important source of revenue for qualified non-profit organizations;*

*Whereas, Activities such as bingo events, charity game nights, door prize events, raffle events, charity game nights and festivals are examples of charity gaming, and*

*Whereas, In the interest of providing safeguards for the public, it is important to provide some regulation as to the number of charity gaming events held by qualified organizations and the distribution of revenues from the charity gaming events: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Legislative Council is urged to establish a committee to study the issues relating to charitable gaming.

SECTION 2. That the committee, if established, shall operate under the direction of the Legislative Council and issue a final report when directed to do so by the Council.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 50

Representatives Hasler, Becker, Avery, and Van Haaften introduced House Resolution 50:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing Carver Community Organization.

*Whereas, The Carver Community Organization opened its doors in the late 1940s and soon became a strong neighborhood center for family activities, education-related programs, and child care;*

*Whereas, Since its inception, the Carver Community Organization has been providing quality child care and helping to prepare children to succeed in school at all levels;*

*Whereas, By providing children a place to go after school and on weekends, the Carver Community Organization is helping to eliminate the possibility that children may become involved in things detrimental to their well-being;*

*Whereas, The After School Program provides a safe place for children while their parents are still at work—a place where they can have fun, learn, and be themselves in a structured, supervised*

environment;

*Whereas, The STYLE (Success Through Youth Leadership and Education) program is part of the Carver Community Organization's Education Enrichment Center and addresses the needs of male and female students ages 12 to 15 who wish to receive further education after high school;*

*Whereas, STYLE is run by the students and provides them with valuable leadership skills; and*

*Whereas, The Carver Community Organization has been instrumental in improving the future for hundreds of children and teens in Evansville: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives acknowledges the good work that Carver Community Organization has been performing for over 50 years in their effort to improve the education of the children, teens, and adults of our state.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to officers of Carver Community Organization.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 51

Representative Hasler introduced House Resolution 51:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION urging the establishment of an interim study committee to determine possible funding sources for state and local geographic information systems (GIS).

*Whereas, A geographic information system (GIS) is an information system that is designed to work with data referenced by spatial or geographic coordinates;*

*Whereas, A GIS helps people better understand a specific place;*

*Whereas, For example, a GIS could be used to determine the best location for a new store and analyzing environmental damage or similar crimes in a city to detect a pattern; and*

*Whereas, GIS can prove to be extremely valuable to the state of Indiana, and sources of funding should be found to establish and maintain state and local geographic information systems: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Legislative Council is urged to establish a committee to determine possible funding sources for state and local geographic information systems (GIS).

SECTION 2. That the committee, if established, shall operate under the direction of the Legislative Council and that the committee shall issue a final report when directed to do so by the council.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 52

Representative Duncan introduced House Resolution 52:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor the Reverend Robert Browning for more than forty years of service to his community.

*Whereas, Robert Browning was born in Cynthiana, Kentucky, and moved to Anderson, Indiana, at the age of seven;*

*Whereas, Upon graduating from high school, he attended Anderson University, where he earned a Bachelor's degree;*

*Whereas, Robert Browning pursued his studies at the Anderson University Seminary School;*

*Whereas, Upon graduation, he received his first pastoral job from First Church of God in Greensburg, Indiana, where he continues to serve his community; and*

*Whereas, Reverend Browning served one term as a City Councilman at Large for the City of Greensburg, is former president of the Billings Elementary PTA, a former member of the Greensburg Rotary Club, was a substitute teacher for many years, and is an avid fan of the Greensburg Pirates basketball team and other local teams: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives honor the Reverend Robert Browning for his lifelong service and dedication to his church and his community.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the Reverend Robert Browning.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 53

Representatives Stevenson, Harris, and Aguilera introduced House Resolution 53:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Alex Tsirtsis.

*Whereas, Alex Tsirtsis completed what could be best described as the greatest high school wrestling career in state history;*

*Whereas, Alex Tsirtsis ended his high school wrestling career at Griffith High School with four state titles—145-pound, 135-pound, 130-pound, and 199-pound;*

*Whereas, Alex Tsirtsis finished his last high school wrestling season with a perfect 55-0 record and had a career record of 236-0;*

*Whereas, During his career, Alex Tsirtsis set several records, including the national record for consecutive victories and the state record for career victories;*

*Whereas, Alex Tsirtsis, who will be attending the University of Iowa, set the state single season record for victories with a record of 65-0; and*

*Whereas, Excellence such as this is achieved through hard work and dedication and deserves special recognition: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates Alex Tsirtsis for his numerous accomplishments, including winning four state wrestling titles during his high school career and wishes him future success in his college career at the University of Iowa.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Alex Tsirtsis and his family, the wrestling coach, the athletic director, and the principal of Griffith High School.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 54

Representatives Stevenson, Harris, and Aguilera introduced House Resolution 54:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Angel Escobedo.

*Whereas, Angel Escobedo won his third straight state wrestling championship at Conoco Fieldhouse on Saturday, February 21, 2004, in the 130-pound division;*

*Whereas, The Griffith High School wrestler, who ended the season with a 52-1 record, had a career record of 174-1;*

*Whereas, Angel Escobedo's only loss was to a nationally-ranked Illinois wrestler at this season's opening tournament;*

*Whereas, Angel Escobedo has endured trials and tribulations during his wrestling career, but he has learned a valuable lesson;*

*Whereas, Angel Escobedo now knows that sometimes we stumble along the path to our goal, but the outcome is what is truly important; and*

*Whereas, Excellence such as this is achieved through hard work and dedication and deserves special recognition: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates Angel Escobedo for his numerous accomplishments during his high school career and wishes him success in his college career at Indiana University.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Angel Escobedo and his family, the wrestling coach, the athletic director, and the principal of Griffith High School.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 55

Representatives Stevenson, Harris, and Aguilera introduced House Resolution 55:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Jose Escobedo.

*Whereas, Jose Escobedo won his first state wrestling title at Conseco Fieldhouse on Saturday, February 21, 2004, in the 119-pound division;*

*Whereas, With this victory, Jose Escobedo, who ended the season with a 53-1 record, joined his cousins, Angel Escobedo and Andrae Hernandez, as a state champion;*

*Whereas, Even though this was his first state title, the Griffith High School wrestler is no stranger to the state wrestling finals;*

*Whereas, Jose Escobedo finished second and seventh in previous years' tournaments; and*

*Whereas, Excellence such as this is achieved through hard work and dedication and deserves special recognition: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates Jose Escobedo for winning the state wrestling title in the 119-pound division and wishes him continued success in the future.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Jose Escobedo and his family, the wrestling coach, the athletic director, and the principal of Griffith High School.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 56

Representatives Stevenson, Harris, and Aguilera introduced House Resolution 56:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Andrae Hernandez.

*Whereas, Andrae Hernandez won his second state wrestling championship at Conseco Fieldhouse on Saturday, February 21, 2004, in the 135-pound division;*

*Whereas, Andrae Hernandez completed this season with a 53-1 record, his only loss occurring at the season-opening tournament in Illinois;*

*Whereas, Andrae Hernandez finished his Griffith High School wrestling career with 149 pins, placing him second on the all-time state list;*

*Whereas, Andrae Hernandez ends his high school wrestling career with a record of 229-5; and*

*Whereas, Excellence such as this is achieved through hard work and dedication and deserves special recognition: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates Andrae Hernandez for his numerous accomplishments during his high school career and wishes him success in his college career at Indiana University.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Andrae Hernandez and his family, the wrestling coach, the athletic director, and the principal of Griffith High School.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 57

Representative V. Smith introduced House Resolution 57:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION welcoming the Omega Psi Phi District

Convention to Gary, Indiana.

*Whereas, The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. will be holding its 10th District Convention in Gary, Indiana, from April 15 through April 18;*

*Whereas, Three hundred fraternity brothers from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin are expected to attend the 10th District Convention at the Trump Hotel;*

*Whereas, The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. was founded at Howard University on November 17, 1911, by Edgar A. Love, Oscar J. Cooper, and Frank Coleman, three liberal arts students, with the assistance of their faculty adviser, Professor Ernest E. Just;*

*Whereas, The name Omega Psi Phi was derived from the initials of the Greek phrase meaning "friendship is essential to the soul", and that phrase was selected as the fraternity's motto;*

*Whereas, Manhood, scholarship, perseverance, and uplift were adopted as the cardinal principles by which the fraternity would conduct business;*

*Whereas, Omega Psi Phi flourished in large part due to the high ideals of its founders who chose men of like character to guide the fraternity into the future;*

*Whereas, To this date, there are very few Americans whose lives have not been touched by a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.; and*

*Whereas, The citizens of Gary wish to extend a warm welcome to the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives is aware of the fact that many of America's great black men have been and are members of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. The Indiana House of Representatives expresses its gratitude for the many improvements the efforts of the members Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. have helped to bring about.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and 10th District Representative Dwight D. Pointer, a resident of Gary, Indiana.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 58

Representative Klinker introduced House Resolution 58:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Officer Stephen Bittles for his bravery.

*Whereas, On December 13, 2003, eleven-year-old Chris Baughman fell through the ice on a pond and became trapped in the frozen water;*

*Whereas, The accident occurred when Chris Baughman was kicking a soccer ball with friends, and the ball rolled onto the pond;*

*Whereas, Chris went after it and fell through the ice;*

*Whereas, Two neighbors witnessed the accident and called 911;*

*Whereas, Officer Stephen Bittles arrived at the pond and found Chris struggling to keep his head above the water while holding onto the slippery ice;*

*Whereas, Officer Stephen Bittles waded about ninety feet into the water, used his elbows to break the thin ice, and tried to reach Chris Baughman;*

*Whereas, Chris was just beyond his reach;*

*Whereas, Officer Bittles encouraged Chris to swim a couple of strokes toward him to a point where the officer was able to grab the frightened boy;*

*Whereas, Officer Bittles and Chris Baughman were both taken to the hospital, treated for hypothermia, and released; and*

*Whereas, Officer Stephen Bittles is truly a Hoosier hero whose quick actions saved the life of a young boy: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives commends Officer Stephen Bittles for his quick and heroic action that saved the life of a young boy.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Officer Stephen Bittles.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 59

Representative C. Brown introduced House Resolution 59:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION urging the legislative council to assign the health finance commission the topic of pricing variance in generic drugs.

*Whereas, A generic drug is essentially chemically identical to a corresponding brand name drug;*

*Whereas, According to a study by the National Center for Policy Analysis, generic drugs make up 50 percent of the pharmaceutical market;*

*Whereas, There is a wide variance in pricing for generic drugs sold under different names or sold by different companies;*

*Whereas, This variance presents a problem for the citizens of Indiana; and*

*Whereas, The variance in drug prices and the hardships it causes require urgent action: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the legislative council is urged to assign the health finance commission the topic of pricing variance in generic drugs.

SECTION 2. That the commission, if assigned this topic, shall operate under the direction of the legislative council and shall issue a final report when directed to do so by the council.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 60

Representative Ayres introduced House Resolution 60:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Chesterton High School State Debate Team upon winning the State Debate Championship.

*Whereas, The Chesterton High School State Debate Team competed in the State Debate Championship on February 6 and 7, fielding teams for the Public Forum Debate, Policy Debate, Congressional Debate, and Lincoln-Douglas Debate;*

*Whereas, Twenty-four of the twenty-five participants broke out of the preliminary competition to advance to the elimination rounds, including Ryan Anderson, Mike Dunlap, Ben Blohm, Doug Thorne, Ali Retson, Miranda Collins, Paige Himes, Courtney Cassler, Matt Mishler, Emily Lawson, Tim Ebert, Val Brown, Kevin Weaver, Jessica Recchia, Emma Klein, Bethany Bey, Kyle Huber, Patricia Podguski, Erin Potrzebowski, Mike Frost, Katelyn Holsclaw, Tim Zervos, Alison Scribailo, and Kristin Totten;*

*Whereas, These young men and women are to be commended for their dedication and hard work and congratulated for their talent;*

*Whereas, Coaches Carol Biel, Dave Blumenthal, Jim Cavallo and Chris Lowery should be commended for their contributions of time and effort in guiding these champions to victory; and*

*Whereas, This is the fifteenth State Championship Chesterton High School Debate Team has won and the seventh in a row: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives pays tribute to the students and coaches of the Chesterton High School State Debate Team upon winning the State Debate Team Championship.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the Chesterton High School State Debate Team.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 61

Representatives Frenz and Crooks introduced House Resolution 61:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Minnie Armstrong Kearby on her 111th birthday.

*Whereas, Minnie Armstrong Kearby was born April 14, 1893, in Ireland, Indiana, to Warren and Carrie Armstrong;*

*Whereas, On April 14, 2004, Minnie Armstrong Kearby will celebrate her 111th birthday, making her the oldest Hoosier;*

*Whereas, Minnie and her husband, Edgar Kearby, were married October 17, 1919, and had one son, Harley;*

*Whereas, Minnie Armstrong Kearby has witnessed enormous change in Indiana and the country during her lifetime;*

*Whereas, Minnie Armstrong Kearby and all older Hoosiers can offer tremendous insight into the state's history; and*

*Whereas, Centenarians like Minnie Armstrong Kearby play an important role in establishing a feeling of connection to the past for the younger generations of the state of Indiana: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates Minnie Armstrong Kearby on her 111th birthday and wishes her health and happiness in the future.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Minnie Armstrong Kearby and her family.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 62

Representative Stilwell introduced House Resolution 62:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Mack Pryor on his retirement.

*Whereas, Mack Pryor has been a dedicated employee of Alcoa for thirty-eight years and two months;*

*Whereas, Mack Pryor retired from Alcoa on March 1, 2004;*

*Whereas, Mack Pryor and Marsha, his wife of forty-one years, have three children, Audra, Alicia, and Aric, and nine grandchildren;*

*Whereas, In addition to the time he devoted to his family and his job, Mack Pryor found time to coach youth sports, including junior league football, swim team, and volleyball;*

*Whereas, Mack Pryor was involved with the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of America;*

*Whereas, Mack Pryor and his family have always opened their home to friends, neighbors, family, and their community, who enjoyed their hospitality and friendship;*

*Whereas, Mack Pryor has demonstrated through hard work, humor, being a good neighbor and a man of honesty, integrity, and faith that he is a pillar of his community;*

*Whereas, Mack Pryor is a good neighbor and friend whose involvement in his community has helped to establish a foundation of love and understanding for all who have come to know this outstanding Hoosier; and*

*Whereas, Representative Russ Stilwell and his family have denoted that no one could ever have a finer friend or neighbor than Mack Pryor: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates Mack Pryor on his retirement and thanks him for his years of dedicated service to his community and his state.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Mack Pryor and his family.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

**House Resolution 63**

Representative Klinker introduced House Resolution 63:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION congratulating Nicole Pollard on her selection as the 2004 Indiana Junior Miss.

*Whereas, It is the goal of the Indiana Junior Miss program to foster the educational goals of college-bound senior girls;*

*Whereas, The Junior Miss program exists "to recognize and reward young women who have distinguished themselves at school and in their community with educational scholarships";*

*Whereas, On Saturday, February 14, Nicole Pollard was selected as Indiana's Junior Miss 2004 from a group of twenty-nine young women;*

*Whereas, Nicole Pollard is a senior at Lafayette Jefferson High School;*

*Whereas, For the first time in forty years, the Indiana winner is from the same local program as the previous year: the Greater Tippecanoe County program;*

*Whereas, Nicole Pollard was awarded \$8,000 in cash scholarships for her victory in the 2004 Indiana Junior Miss competition;*

*Whereas, The competition involves the areas of interview, scholastics, talent, fitness, and poise;*

*Whereas, Although Nicole Pollard was not an individual winner in any of the five areas of competition, her overall performance impressed the judges the most;*

*Whereas, As the 2004 Indiana Junior Miss, Nicole Pollard will represent Indiana in June at America's Junior Miss 2004; and*

*Whereas, Beauty and intelligence combine in Miss Nicole Pollard: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates Nicole Pollard on her selection as the 2004 Indiana Junior Miss and wishes her success in the national competition.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Nicole Pollard and her family.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

**House Resolution 64**

Representatives Dobis and Kuzman introduced House Resolution 64:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring William and Judy Cochran on their 50th wedding anniversary.

*Whereas, In today's society, 50th wedding anniversaries are rare;*

*Whereas, 50th wedding anniversaries are one of the most special moments in married life;*

*Whereas, February 27, 2004, marks the 50th anniversary of the day William and Judy Cochran were married;*

*Whereas, The love and commitment of William and Judy Cochran is extraordinary;*

*Whereas, This love and commitment has enabled their marriage to endure 50 years;*

*Whereas, This love and commitment has served as an example to others in good times as well as bad;*

*Whereas, The 50th wedding anniversary is a symbol of a time tested love and a union that will truly last forever; and*

*Whereas, Together, this devoted couple has shared many happy times and cherished family memories, and it is a privilege to recognize them on the joyous occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates William and Judy Cochran on their 50th wedding anniversary and extends to them best wishes for continued happiness.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to William and Judy Cochran.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

**House Resolution 65**

Representative Friend introduced House Resolution 65:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Mentone Elementary School for its superior ranking on the National President's Physical Fitness Test.

*Whereas, Mentone School is the state champion in Category II Schools on the National President's Physical Fitness Test;*

*Whereas, One hundred and nineteen out of 352 students in grades 1 through 5 passed above the eighty-fifth percentile;*

*Whereas, Mentone School had the highest percentage in all categories of the National President's Fitness Test, thereby attaining the highest ranking in the State of Indiana; and*

*Whereas, Principal Katie Miller and Physical Education teacher Bill Ruppel should be congratulated for recognizing and supporting the importance of physical fitness to the health and well-being of young people: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives honor Mentone School for its achievement as state champion in the National President's Physical Fitness Test.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Mentone School.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

**House Resolution 66**

Representative Denbo introduced House Resolution 66:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION congratulating the members and directors of the Paoli High School Band on the occasion of their fourteenth Marching Band State Championship.

*Whereas, The talent and efforts of the student members of the Paoli High School Band, along with the hard work, inspiration, and organization of the adult staff and volunteers, has produced outstanding achievements for this Indiana high school marching band, namely seven championships in the last eight years and eleven championships in the last fourteen years;*

*Whereas, In October 2003, the Pride of Paoli High School Band was awarded its fourteenth Marching Band State Championship at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis;*

*Whereas, The 2003 championship marked the twentieth anniversary of Paoli High School's first state marching band championship;*

*Whereas, Paoli High School band director William C. Laughlin and assistant band director Anita Gayle Laughlin have worked tirelessly to help these young musicians achieve their current level of excellence;*

*Whereas, Band Director William C. Laughlin has been at the helm of the Paoli High School Band for eleven state championships and assistant band director Gayle Laughlin has been involved in twelve state championships;*

*Whereas, Jerry Stroud has been a dedicated supporter of the Paoli High School Band through fourteen championships and in many different phases of his life, as a Paoli High School teacher, band parent, bus driver, and principal;*

*Whereas, Throughout these years, Jerry Stroud's dedication to and support for the band has never faltered;*

*Whereas, The senior members of the Paoli High School Band, most of whom have earned five championships in their marching band career, have contributed superior leadership, dedication, and patience and have, by their example, been fine examples for the other members of this outstanding program;*



*Whereas, The discipline, efforts, and developed talents achieved by the members of the Paoli High School Band will remain valuable enhancements to the quality of their lives; and*

*Whereas, The remarkable achievements of the Pride of Paoli High School Band were enabled by the inspired leadership of band directors Bill and Gayle Laughlin and other staff, the organizational backing of the entire administration of the Paoli Community Schools, and the generous volunteer support provided by the parents, relatives, and friends of these champion students: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates the members of the Pride of Paoli High School Band for their talent, hard work, and success, and wishes them continued success in their future endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Indiana House of Representatives honors the band directors, staff, parents, and the community volunteers who have contributed to the success of the Pride of Paoli High School Band program.

SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the members of the Paoli High School Band, Director Bill Laughlin, Assistant Director Gayle Laughlin, and Principal Jerry Stroud.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

#### **Senate Concurrent Resolution 4**

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 4, sponsored by Representatives Klinker and Alderman:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Indiana commission on mental retardation and developmental disabilities and the Indiana commission on mental health to hold at least one joint meeting during the 2004 interim to consider issues of interaction between the populations the two commissions were created to study and the criminal justice system.

*Whereas, In 1994, the general assembly created the Indiana commission on mental retardation and developmental disabilities to study various services and issues concerning the mentally retarded and developmentally disabled population;*

*Whereas, The general assembly has reaffirmed the commission and renewed it since 1994;*

*Whereas, In 1998, the general assembly created the Indiana commission on mental health to study various services and issues concerning persons with mental illness;*

*Whereas, The general assembly has reaffirmed the commission and renewed it since 1998;*

*Whereas, During the 2003 interim, both the Indiana commission on mental health and the Indiana commission on mental retardation studied interaction of the populations they were created to study with the criminal justice system;*

*Whereas, Both commissions determined that more study is needed in the area of interaction with the criminal justice system; and*

*Whereas, Many of the problems in dealing with the criminal justice system are the same for both populations: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana commission on mental retardation and developmental disabilities and the Indiana commission on mental health are urged to meet jointly at least one time during the 2004 legislative interim to consider issues relating to interaction of the populations the commissions were created to study with the criminal justice system.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

#### **Senate Concurrent Resolution 20**

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 20,

sponsored by Representatives Crooks and T. Adams:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging that medical practitioners licensed by the state educate members of their profession to be aware of impairments that may affect driving proficiency and that may be detected in medical examinations.

*Whereas, The longevity of the citizens of Indiana is increasing, and there has been growth in the population and the numbers of motor vehicles registered in Indiana;*

*Whereas, A greater number of vehicles on the road may mean a proportionally increased number of drivers who are impaired;*

*Whereas, A greater number of impaired drivers may mean a rise in the number of motor vehicle accidents;*

*Whereas, Medical practitioners licensed by the state, including physicians, nurses, occupational and recreational therapists, mental health practitioners, pharmacists, and ophthalmologists and optometrists, may be in a position to detect impairments to driving in their patients and clients at a point before actual harm; and*

*Whereas, These medical practitioners may be able to counsel their patients and clients on the risks of driving while impaired: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That medical practitioners licensed by the state be encouraged to educate members of their profession to be aware of various impairments that may affect patients' and clients' driving proficiency that may be detected by the medical professionals in examinations and interactions with patients and clients.

SECTION 2. That medical practitioners licensed by the state be encouraged to alert and counsel patients and clients whose driving proficiency may be impaired to seek further treatment for the impairment or to seek an evaluation of driving skills.

SECTION 3. That the Secretary of the Senate transmit a copy of this resolution to the health professions bureau, for its distribution to the board of chiropractic examiners, state board of dentistry, medical licensing board of Indiana, Indiana state board of nursing, Indiana optometry board, Indiana board of pharmacy, board of podiatric medicine, speech-language pathology and audiology board, state psychology board, Indiana physical therapy committee, respiratory care committee, occupational therapy committee, social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board, and physician assistant committee.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

#### **Senate Concurrent Resolution 21**

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 21, sponsored by Representative Dickinson:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Legislative Council to assign an interim or statutory committee to study the crime victim laws of Indiana.

*Whereas, The State of Indiana seeks to preserve and defend the rights of crime victims;*

*Whereas, Such rights are protected by constitutional provisions, statutes, and programs;*

*Whereas, The General Assembly wants to insure that victims of crime are being adequately served; and*

*Whereas, A legislative committee should review Indiana's constitutional and statutory provisions, and determine whether programs are being properly implemented across the State to adequately serve victims of crime: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the legislative council is urged to assign an interim or statutory committee to study laws concerning the rights of victims of crime, and whether programs are being implemented to effectively serve victims of crime and the citizens of the State of



Indiana.

SECTION 2. That the committee, if established, shall operate under the direction of the legislative council and that the committee shall issue a final report when directed to do so by the council.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

### Senate Concurrent Resolution 38

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 38, sponsored by Representative T. Adams:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating the Muncie Burris High School girl's volleyball team for their outstanding accomplishment in the 2003 Indiana High School Association, IHSA Class 2A girls' state volleyball championship.

*Whereas, The team defeated No. 6 Brownstown Central High School, at Butler University in the state championship game at historic Hinkle Fieldhouse in Indianapolis on Saturday, November 8, 2003; 24-25; 21-11; 15-21; 21-15; 15-6;*

*Whereas, This is the fifteenth State volleyball championship for Muncie Burris High School and seventh consecutive championship;*

*Whereas, The team won 30 or more matches for the 22nd straight year;*

*Whereas, The Muncie High School Burris volleyball team claimed a record of 34-6 for the 2003 season;*

*Whereas, Team members, Brittany Fullhart, Jill MacMillan, and Kappy Lang received 2003 All-State team recognition;*

*Whereas, Team members Hannah Cheesman, Alaina Gibson, Caitlyn Vann, Molly Davis, Brittany Fullhart, Karin Caudill, Hana Ros, Erin Switzer, Teresa Craig, Lauren Kaminsky, Jill MacMillan, Kappy Lang, Leslie White, and Christina Dickerson played an excellent season and championship game;* and

*Whereas, Head Coach Steve Shondell, Assistant Coaches Reeves Peacock and Mark Clark, guided the team on it's march to victory: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,  
the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the General Assembly congratulates the Muncie Burris High School girls' volleyball team for its accomplishment in winning the 2003 IHSA Class 2A girl's state volleyball championship and extend its congratulations to the team members, coaches, their families, and the school.

SECTION 2. That the General Assembly expresses its support of and best wishes to the Muncie Burris High School girls' volleyball team as they prepare for next year.

SECTION 3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Hannah Cheesman, Alaina Gibson, Caitlyn Vann, Molly Davis, Brittany Fullhart, Karin Caudill, Hana Ros, Erin Switzer, Teresa Craig, Lauren Kaminsky, Jill MacMillan, Kappy Lang, Lesslie White, Christina Dickerson, Steve Shondell, Reeves Peacock, Mark Clark, Lenny Kaminsky, and Emily Sallee as well as athletic director Ray Dawson, Principal Donna Biggs, and Superintendent Dr. Kenneth Miller.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

### Senate Concurrent Resolution 40

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 40, sponsored by Representative Goodin:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating David Lueking on his being awarded the 2004 National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution Outstanding Teacher of American History.

*Whereas, David Lueking was recently awarded the 2004 National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution Outstanding Teacher of American History;*

*Whereas, Mr. Lueking has spent 39 years teaching social studies, the last 20 years at Austin High School;*

*Whereas, Mr. Lueking is a Vincennes native who attended Oakland City College on an athletic scholarship where he studied social studies and physical education;*

*Whereas, Mr. Lueking's teaching experience has included U.S. History, government, civics, world history and geography, economics, psychology, sociology, physical education, and driver's education;*

*Whereas, In addition to his teaching duties Mr. Lueking found time to coach the Academic Super Bowl team and put on an annual Veteran's Day program that includes an impressive video and live presentation;*

*Whereas, Mr. Lueking has become a participant in the Veterans History Project sponsored by U.S. Senator Richard Lugar, allowing his students to interview 28 veterans and those interviews are now housed in the Library of Congress; and*

*Whereas, Mr. Lueking's wife Janis and children Mark and Mandy have been by his side throughout his years of teaching: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,  
the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the General Assembly of the State of Indiana congratulates David Lueking for his award as the 2004 National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution Outstanding Teacher of American History.

SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transit a copy of this resolution to David Lueking.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

### Senate Concurrent Resolution 41

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 41, sponsored by Representative Kersey:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION condemning the burning of CANDLES Holocaust Museum in Terre Haute.

*Whereas, The Indiana General Assembly condemns in the strongest possible terms the recent arson attack on the CANDLES Holocaust Museum in Terre Haute on November 18, 2003, and declares that such displays of hatred against vulnerable persons of any religion or race have no place in our towns, cities, state, or nation, and that neither do the perpetrator(s) reflect in any way the good citizens of the State of Indiana; and*

*Whereas, The lessons of the Holocaust provide an important opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments, and teach that we should strive to overcome prejudice and inhumanity through tolerance and understanding: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,  
the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly condemns the burning of CANDLES Holocaust Museum in Terre Haute.

SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate is directed to transmit copies of this resolution to Eva and Michael Kor.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

### COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, your Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures, to which was referred Engrossed House Bill 1070 because it conflicts with SEA 263-2004 without properly recognizing the existence of SEA 263-2004, has had Engrossed House Bill 1070 under consideration and begs leave to report back to the House with the recommendation that Engrossed House Bill 1070 be corrected as follows:

Page 1, line 1, after "IC 5-10.3-7-1" insert ", AS AMENDED BY SEA 263-2004, SECTION 67,".

Page 2, line 10, delete "IC 33-14-9;" and insert "IC 33-39-7;". (Reference is to EHB 1070 as printed February 20, 2004.)

PELATH, Chair  
WHETSTONE, R.M.M.  
BISCHOFF, Author

Report adopted.

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Joint Rule 20, your Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures, to which was referred Engrossed House Bill 1200 because it conflicts with SEA 106-2004 without properly recognizing the existence of SEA 106-2004, has had Engrossed House Bill 1200 under consideration and begs leave to report back to the House with the recommendation that Engrossed House Bill 1200 be corrected as follows:

Page 2, line 11, delete "ADDED BY P.L.181-2003," and insert "AMENDED BY SEA 106-2004, SECTION 56,".

Page 2, line 12, delete "SECTION 6,".

Page 2, line 18, after "violence" insert "fatality".

(Reference is to EHB 1200 as printed February 20, 2004.)

PELATH, Chair  
WHETSTONE, R.M.M.  
L. LAWSON, Author

Report adopted.

#### CONFEREES AND ADVISORS APPOINTED

The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives to conference committees on the following Engrossed House Bills (the Representative listed first is the Chair):

EHB 1203	Conferees: Frenz and Mangus
	Advisors: Lytle, Chowning, and Koch
EHB 1229	Conferees: Bardon and Burton
	Advisors: Kuzman and Pond
EHB 1264	Conferees: Dvorak and Duncan
	Advisors: Kuzman and D. Young
EHB 1285	Conferees: Goodin and Torr
	Advisors: Stilwell, Liggett, and Gutwein

The House recessed until the fall of the gavel.

#### RECESS

The House reconvened at 4:45 p.m. with the Speaker in the Chair.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I hereby transmit Senate Enrolled Acts 36 and 296 for signature.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that pursuant to Rule 81(c) of the Standing Rules and Orders of the Senate, President Pro Tempore Robert D. Garton has made the following change in conferees appointments to Engrossed House Bill 1234:

Conferee: Simpson replacing Lubbers  
Advisor: Lubbers replacing Simpson

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has not concurred in House amendments to Engrossed

Senate Bill 19 and the President Pro Tempore has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to meet and confer with a like committee of the House on said bill, and to report thereon:

Conferees: R. Meeks, Chair; and Craycraft

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has not concurred in House amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill 41 and the President Pro Tempore has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to meet and confer with a like committee of the House on said bill, and to report thereon:

Conferees: Miller, Chair; and Howard

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has not concurred in House amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill 72 and the President Pro Tempore has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to meet and confer with a like committee of the House on said bill, and to report thereon:

Conferees: Landske, Chair; and Breaux  
Advisors: C. Lawson and Sipes

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has not concurred in House amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill 257 and the President Pro Tempore has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to meet and confer with a like committee of the House on said bill, and to report thereon:

Conferees: Kenley, Chair; and Rogers

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has not concurred in House amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill 278 and the President Pro Tempore has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to meet and confer with a like committee of the House on said bill, and to report thereon:

Conferees: Server, Chair; and Simpson

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed House Concurrent Resolution 37 and the same is herewith returned to the House.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed Senate Concurrent Resolution 29 and the same is herewith transmitted to the House for further action.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### CONFEREES AND ADVISORS APPOINTED

The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives to conference committees on the following Engrossed Senate Bills:

ESB 19	Conferees: Moses and Borror
	Advisors: Van Haaften, GiaQuinta, and Pond

ESB 257 Conferees: Crawford and Espich  
Advisors: Goodin and Thompson

## MOTIONS TO DISSENT FROM SENATE AMENDMENTS

### HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1251 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

BECKER

Motion prevailed.

## RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

### House Concurrent Resolution 43

Representatives Austin, J. Lutz, and Reske introduced House Concurrent Resolution 43:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Mike Zabawa on his retirement.

*Whereas, Mike Zabawa, lovingly referred to as "Mr. Z." by his students, will be retiring from teaching and coaching in the spring, bringing an end to his thirty-three year career in the Anderson Community School Corporation;*

*Whereas, An English teacher by day, Mike Zabawa is the beloved chess coach for the South Side Middle School chess club and the Anderson High School chess club by night;*

*Whereas, In addition to his work as a chess coach, Mike Zabawa is the former vice president of the Indiana State Chess Association and served as the site coordinator and one of the chief tournament directors at the Scholastic Chess of Indiana Individual State Finals in 2003;*

*Whereas, Mike Zabawa has been considered the best chess coach in the state by his students, and his record stands as a testament to their recognition;*

*Whereas, The Anderson High School chess club won national co-championships in 1992 and 2000, and the Anderson High School and South Side Middle School chess clubs have been ranked in the top ten nationally more than half of the time since 1987;*

*Whereas, Mike Zabawa believes chess is a "great social leveler" that brings together students from all economic and social levels;*

*Whereas, Chess is not a game about how intelligent one player is: it's a game about learning. Players learn opening moves, mid-game strategies, and end-game procedures;*

*Whereas, The lessons Mike Zabawa's students learn while playing chess will help to mold these young people into productive adults;*

*Whereas, Mike Zabawa is far more than an English teacher and a chess coach to his students;*

*Whereas, Mike Zabawa is a rare teacher who has the ability to inspire students and to show them how to reach their full potential and use their talents in everything they do; and*

*Whereas, Mike Zabawa is retiring to be closer to his daughters and their families in southern Indiana, and he will be greatly missed by his family of chess playing students at South Side Middle School and Anderson High School: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,  
the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly wishes Mike Zabawa all the best in his retirement and thanks him for the countless hours he has devoted to the youth of Anderson.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Mike Zabawa and his family and to the principal of South Side Middle School.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The

Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Lanane.

### House Concurrent Resolution 44

Representatives Hasler, Welch, Neese, and Pierce introduced House Concurrent Resolution 44:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the Southern Indiana Recycling Initiative (SIRI) and Jane St. John, Jim Daniels, Patricia Colbert, and Debbie Steinkamp.

*Whereas, The Southern Indiana Recycling Initiative (SIRI), a committee of the Indiana Recycling Coalition, was formed September 20, 1991, after it was determined that solid waste management districts in southwestern Indiana would be single county districts;*

*Whereas, Even though southwestern Indiana has single county solid waste districts, it was felt that common ground existed regarding recycling and source reductions;*

*Whereas, It was also felt that the solid waste districts, business, and industry could tackle some of the recycling and source reduction challenges together;*

*Whereas, The mission of SIRI is to seek and develop opportunities to reuse recyclable materials to the benefit of the regional economy and the goals of proper waste management and reduction and to promote cooperative efforts among public and private entities that will emphasize regional pollution prevention and management of recyclable materials as valuable resources;*

*Whereas, The objective of SIRI is to divert maximum volumes of solid waste from final disposal to viable economic reuse systems;*

*Whereas, There are currently twenty-seven solid waste districts representing thirty-three counties within the geographical base of SIRI;*

*Whereas, SIRI meetings are held monthly at various locations throughout southern Indiana to provide local businesses, solid waste districts, and government agencies an opportunity to share waste reduction and recycling techniques;*

*Whereas, Through the efforts of Jane St. John, Jim Daniels, Patricia Colbert, and Debbie Steinkamp, the Southern Indiana Recycling Initiative has a long list of accomplishments in its short history: conducting a plastics conference, a paper conference and a seminar for business and industry with an industrial survey, "Partners With the Earth" education projects, commissioning a plastics survey, conducting a marketing workshop and a business waste audit workshop, facilitating the Glass Grinding Pilot Program with the Indiana Department of Transportation, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, and Purdue University, and assisting in the implementation of Southern Indiana's illegal dumping campaign;*

*Whereas, SIRI is currently working on a business recycling participation recognition, promoting the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Business Waste Wise Program, and assisting with the illegal open burning education campaign; and*

*Whereas, The Southern Indiana Recycling Initiative and Jane St. John, Jim Daniels, Patricia Colbert, and Debbie Steinkamp have worked tirelessly for twelve years to coordinate the recycling efforts in Southern Indiana: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,  
the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the Southern Indiana Recycling Coalition for its many successful endeavors to make recycling more prominent in Southern Indiana and to thank Jane St. John, Jim Daniels, Patricia Colbert, and Debbie Steinkamp for their tireless efforts on behalf of the citizens of Southern Indiana.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the chairpersons of the Southern Indiana Recycling Coalition, Jane St. John, Jim Daniels, Patricia Colbert, and Debbie Steinkamp.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Simpson.

The Speaker yielded the gavel to the Speaker Pro Tempore, Representative Dobis.

#### House Concurrent Resolution 45

Representatives Porter and Ruppel introduced House Concurrent Resolution 45:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring and recognizing Dr. Frank P. Lloyd, Sr.

*Whereas, Dr. Frank P. Lloyd, Sr., was appointed as one of the original White River State Park commissioners in 1979 by Governor Otis Bowen;*

*Whereas, Dr. Lloyd served with distinction on the White River State Park commission from its inception until his resignation in 1995;*

*Whereas, Dr. Lloyd served as chairman of the commission from 1988 through 1995 and as vice chairman before that;*

*Whereas, Dr. Lloyd was a steadfast leader during the struggles faced by the White River State Park commission in the development of what today has become an important tourist destination for visitors to Indiana's capital city;*

*Whereas, The current commissioners of the White River State Park voted on May 21, 2003, to name the new Visitors Center in White River State Park in honor of Dr. Lloyd; and*

*Whereas, Dr. Frank P. Lloyd, Sr., was "a giant among men" and the people of Indiana wish to honor his memory: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly honors the memory of Dr. Frank P. Lloyd, Sr., for his services to the people of Indianapolis and the state of Indiana by naming the new Visitors Center in the White River State Park as the Dr. Frank P. Lloyd Visitors Center.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of Dr. Frank P. Lloyd, Sr.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Breauux.

#### House Concurrent Resolution 46

Representatives Porter, V. Smith, Pond, Avery, Behning, Cheney, Hoffman, Kersey, Klinker, Messer, Noe, Orentlicher, Pflum, Scholer, Richardson, and Goodin introduced House Concurrent Resolution 46:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating Dr. Roger W. Thornton on the occasion of his retirement.

*Whereas, Dr. Roger W. Thornton has served as executive director of the Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents since 1998;*

*Whereas, In his capacity as executive director, Dr. Thornton was responsible for the association's professional development activities along with his duties as lobbyist for the organization;*

*Whereas, Dr. Thornton has led the association in the development of leadership understanding and commitment to increased student achievement;*

*Whereas, Throughout his career, Dr. Thornton has striven to close the achievement gap among various segments of the student population;*

*Whereas, Before accepting the position of executive director of the Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents, Dr. Thornton served in various public school assignments, including twenty years as a superintendent in various school corporations, including the Kokomo-Center Schools from 1993-1998, the Wawasee Community Schools from 1987-1993, and the Smith-Green Community Schools*

*from 1978-1986;*

*Whereas, Dr. Thornton received his undergraduate degree from Bethel College, his master's degree in counseling from St. Francis College, and his doctorate in school administration from Indiana University;*

*Whereas, Dr. Thornton is active in his professional community as a member of the American Association of School Administrators and the Association of State Executives; and*

*Whereas, During the past five years, Dr. Thornton and the leadership of the Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents have been committed to leadership development and expertise development focused on improving student achievement for all students and creating an environment of change and improvement for all schools: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates Dr. Roger W. Thornton on the occasion of his retirement, thanks him for his years of dedicated service to the Hoosier educational system and the students of that system, and wishes him continued success in the future.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Dr. Roger W. Thornton and his family.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsors: Senators Kenley, Sipes, Lubbers, Altling, Bowser, Dillon, Drozda, Ford, Miller, Rogers, and Skillman.

#### House Concurrent Resolution 47

Representatives Ayres, Cheney, Thomas, and D. Young introduced House Concurrent Resolution 47:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION to honor Valparaiso University School of Law upon its 125th anniversary.

*Whereas, The Valparaiso University School of Law was founded in November of 1879 with an inaugural class of nine men and women and three part-time instructors meeting in a downtown Valparaiso law office;*

*Whereas, Since that humble beginning, the school has graduated more than 4,000 men and women;*

*Whereas, Valparaiso University Law School has distinguished itself in part by the reputation of its graduates who practiced law in small towns and large cities, been judges and public officials, guided corporations, directed non-profit organizations and served their communities with the values instilled in them by professors and instructors who are mentors as well as teachers; and*

*Whereas, This Indiana law school has contributed to the quality of our American life by virtue of the work of its graduates throughout our country, and as citizens of this state we should herald the school's history and tradition, and celebrate its 125th year: Therefore:*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. The Indiana House of Representatives, on behalf of the citizens of this state, pay tribute to the Valparaiso University School of Law upon its 125th anniversary.

SECTION 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Valparaiso University School of Law.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Dembowski.

#### House Concurrent Resolution 48

Representative Ruppel introduced House Concurrent Resolution 48:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION to honor ARC of Wabash County for 50 years of service to people with developmental disabilities.

*Whereas, Advocacy for individuals with disabilities in Wabash County began in the 1940s by a man whose son was in need of educational services that at time did not exist, and his quest led to the creation of the School of Hope in 1954;*

*Whereas, In 1967, Workshop Enterprises, Inc. was established by parents whose children with disabilities were growing into adulthood and needing employment training for so they could be integrated into the business community performing useful work;*

*Whereas, One year later, these two institutions joined to form what came to be known as The Association for Retarded Citizens—or ARC—of Wabash County, Inc.;*

*Whereas, ARC has expanded its services to support individuals with disabilities from birth through adulthood, from evaluation and assessment to community job placement and residential services, from counseling to advocacy;*

*Whereas, ARC continues to fulfill its mission “to challenge, empower and support individuals with disabilities who need and request our service to reach their highest level of independence by providing training and support services which promote their active participation in their community;” and*

*Whereas, This year, ARC of Wabash County, Inc. celebrates its 50th year of service to its community and it is fitting to recognize its legacy of good work: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulate ARC of Wabash County, Inc. upon its 50 years of service and dedication to individuals with disabilities and their families.

SECTION 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to ARC of Wabash County, Inc.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsors: Senators Dillon and Weatherwax.

### House Resolution 67

Representative V. Smith introduced House Resolution 67:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing the Commission on the Social Status of Black Males for the work the commission does to improve the lives of Indiana’s Black males.

*Whereas, The Indiana Commission on the Social Status of Black Males was established in 1993 by the Indiana General Assembly;*

*Whereas, The purpose of the Commission on the Social Status of Black Males is to “to identify and recommend public remedies to increase, broaden, and improve the economic, educational, social, and professional status of the Black male in the state”;*

*Whereas, Since its creation, the Commission on the Social Status of Black Males has helped to ensure equality for all Hoosiers;*

*Whereas, The Commission has shown Hoosiers that what affects Black males affects the entire community;*

*Whereas, In order to bring about change, all Hoosiers must think and act based on this premise; and*

*Whereas, The lives of countless numbers of Black males have been changed for the better by the work of the Commission on the Social Status of Black Males: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives acknowledges the work of the Commission on the Social Status of Black Males and the impact this work has had on the lives of Indiana’s Black males.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the

members of the Commission on the Social Status of Black Males.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

### House Resolution 68

Representative Denbo introduced House Resolution 68:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION urging the Indiana department of transportation to rename State Road 37 from Mitchell to Paoli, State Road 56 from Paoli to French Lick, and State Road 145 from French Lick to Interstate 64 the Frank O’Bannon Highway.

*Whereas, Frank O’Bannon grew up in Harrison County, Indiana. He graduated from Corydon High School in 1948 and received a bachelor’s degree in government from Indiana University in 1952. After two years in the U.S. Air Force, he returned to Bloomington to earn a law degree from Indiana University in 1957. Also that year, he and his wife, Judy, were married;*

*Whereas, Frank O’Bannon served eight years as lieutenant governor. That followed 18 years as a part-time legislator in the Indiana Senate, where he represented eight counties in southern Indiana. For the last 11 of those years his colleagues chose him as the Democratic floor leader. Before his election to statewide office, he also practiced law at the Corydon firm of O’Bannon, Funk and Simpson. He was chairman of the O’Bannon Publishing Company in Corydon, publishing weekly newspapers in Harrison and Crawford counties;*

*Whereas, Frank O’Bannon was first elected Governor on November 5, 1996, and reelected to a second term on November 7, 2000. For his first inauguration ceremony, Governor O’Bannon invited all Indiana 4th graders, something no governor had ever done. Fourth graders, who study Indiana history as part of their curriculum, were invited back for the second inauguration. More than 25,000 students and visitors attended the second inauguration on January 8, 2001, making it the largest gubernatorial inauguration in Indiana history;*

*Whereas, Governor O’Bannon’s top priority was education. On the national level, Governor O’Bannon served as chair of the National Education Goals Panel, a bi-partisan organization committed to improving education. He also served as co-chair of the National Governor’s Association Extra Learning Opportunities Task Force;*

*Whereas, Governor O’Bannon launched the Building Bright Beginnings initiative to emphasize the importance of emotional and brain development of children from birth to four years of age. The parents of every newborn now receive a colorful, easy-to-read growth calendar to take home. So far, more than 400,000 of these calendars have been distributed. The information helps parents give the attention, affection, and stimulation that young children need to reach their full potential. The program also promotes quality child care and helps parents recognize and remove lead and mercury hazards from their homes;*

*Whereas, Under Governor O’Bannon’s direction, Indiana is a national leader in the effort to extend health care coverage to its citizens. More than 373,000 Hoosier children, whose parents work but do not have access to health insurance through their jobs or cannot afford the premiums, have signed up for the health insurance program Hoosier Healthwise. In addition to increasing coverage, Indiana made it simpler and more convenient for parents to sign up their children;*

*Whereas, O’Bannon also committed funds to triple the number of families served by Healthy Families Indiana, which teaches parenting and coping skills one-on-one in Hoosier homes. The program has achieved a remarkable success rate in preventing child abuse and neglect in the high-risk families taking part. It is funded with savings achieved by moving Hoosiers from welfare rolls to payrolls;*

*Whereas, When the legislature was not in session, Governor O’Bannon rolled up his sleeves at least one day each month in his “A Day Makes a Difference” campaign, encouraging leaders and everyday citizens to volunteer in community service projects. He tutored children on computers, served food to the homeless, helped build or rehabilitate low-income housing, and spruced up other*

public and nonprofit facilities;

*Whereas, Governor O'Bannon is survived by former First Lady Judy O'Bannon, his best friend for almost half a century. A leader in her own right, Judy O'Bannon promotes the arts, community development, and historic preservation throughout Indiana. She chairs the Governor's Indiana 2016 program, helping communities statewide take stock of their roots as they work toward a better future; and*

*Whereas, Governor O'Bannon was stricken on September 8, 2003, by a stroke, from which he never recovered. He passed away September 13, 2003. On that day, in the words of Governor Joe Kernan, "every Hoosier lost their governor and their friend": Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to remember Frank O'Bannon and provide an appropriate monument to reflect the life of a great man. The Indiana House of Representatives urges the Indiana Department of Transportation to rename State Road 37 from Mitchell to Paoli, State Road 56 from Paoli to French Lick, and State Road 145 from French Lick to Interstate 64 the Frank O'Bannon Highway.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Judy O'Bannon and her family, and to the commissioner of the Indiana Department of Transportation.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

#### House Resolution 69

Representatives V. Smith, Denbo, Pierce, and Welch introduced House Resolution 69:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Don Weaver on his retirement.

*Whereas, Don Weaver recently retired as director of the Indiana University Office of State Relations;*

*Whereas, Don meant much more to Indiana University than his duties as director of the Office of State Relations;*

*Whereas, Don, who earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from Indiana University in 1961, had a vision of what Indiana University should be and the knowledge to ensure that his vision for the school came to be;*

*Whereas, Don contributed to Indiana University in many ways, ranging from working to advance the University's interests in state government to his many years of service as a timekeeper for the Little 500 bicycle race;*

*Whereas, Don's work at Indiana University was recognized with the presentation of the E. Ross Bartley Award, the university's highest staff honor;*

*Whereas, Don's abilities are recognized outside the Bloomington community; he was recently appointed to the Midwest Commission for Higher Education, an organization devoted to improving the quality of higher education;*

*Whereas, Before becoming director of Indiana University's Office of State Relations, Don was the University Facilities Management & Planning Director (1964-89), an analyst for the University Budget Office (1963-64), and an analyst for the University Systems & Methods (1961-63);*

*Whereas, In addition to his work at Indiana University, Don is actively involved in the Bloomington community by volunteering his service to the Faith Lutheran Church, the Boys and Girls Club, the IU Credit Union, Bloomington Little League, and the annual North-South All Star football game; and*

*Whereas, Don has been a driving force at Indiana University for many years, and he will be greatly missed: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly expresses its

heartfelt gratitude to Don Weaver for his many years of dedicated service to Indiana University, the citizens and community of Bloomington, and the state of Indiana, and wishes him well in all his future endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Don Weaver and his family.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

#### House Resolution 70

Representative Bischoff introduced House Resolution 70:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION commemorating the Queen City Pattern softball team.

*Whereas, The 1973 Queen City Pattern slow pitch softball team was an exceptional group of athletes;*

*Whereas, The team was victorious in the 1973 A.S.A. Triple A Cincinnati Metro Open Tournament;*

*Whereas, The Queen City Pattern team displayed its prowess in the Triple A national tournament, finishing fourteenth against the country's finest teams;*

*Whereas, In addition to its victory in the A.S.A. Tournament, the Queen City Pattern team finished second in the Al Goodman Round Robin Tournament, second in the Mack Truck Tournament, and second in the Finke Memorial Tournament;*

*Whereas, The Queen City Pattern team accomplished much during its outstanding 1973 season, finishing first and winning the elimination series in Division 1 of the Al Goodman Major League and winning Division 2, the elimination series, and the overall championship playoff in the Al Goodman Wednesday Night Harrison, Ohio, League;*

*Whereas, The Queen City Pattern team was coached by Bob Bischoff, who was named the manager of the year for 1973; and*

*Whereas, The Queen City Pattern slow pitch softball team lives on in the minds and hearts of the members of the 1973 team and the people who saw them play and stand as examples of the success of hard work and discipline: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives acknowledges an outstanding group of athletes.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the members of the Queen City Pattern slow pitch softball team.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

#### House Resolution 71

Representatives Scholer and Klinker introduced House Resolution 71:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to recognize CERIAS, the Center for Education and Research Information Assurance and Security.

*Whereas, CERIAS, the Center for Education and Research in Information Assurance and Security at Purdue University was founded in 1998 and is widely recognized as the world's foremost academic center of excellence in issues of information security and privacy;*

*Whereas, CERIAS has been organized as a multi-disciplinary center at Purdue with over 100 affiliated faculty, staff, and graduate students on the Purdue campus interacting with business and industry to conduct research into privacy, computer and network protection, e-commerce safety, cybercrime prevention and investigation, computer-based terrorism, and national defense;*

*Whereas, CERIAS has succeeded in having the week of March 21-27 proclaimed Indiana Information Security Week in order to bring attention to the threats posed by information security challenges;*

*Whereas, This public awareness initiative will include events and activities designed to enhance the security literacy and skills of*



*Indiana businesses, organizations, and citizens and it will kick off with an Information Security Symposium presented by CERIAS during the week of March 21st that will focus on issues of privacy, protection of intellectual and proprietary property, security education, and intrusion detection;*

*Whereas, Invited guests and speakers will include experts and officials from the state of Indiana and across the nation to discuss and consider information security issues of significance to citizens and the public, private, and nonprofit sectors;*

*Whereas, Throughout the month of April, the Indiana Information Security Awareness Initiative will take a multi-layered and multi-pronged approach to increasing security literacy and skills in order to position Indiana at the core of study and information regarding information assurance and security; and*

*Whereas, Indiana Information Security Week's efforts to raise awareness will include the development of media guides and information campaigns; the provision of information and resources to agencies, business leaders, and organizations to increase the security skills of businesses engaged in a variety of online e-Commerce activities; and the provision of information and assistance to public decision makers for use in developing appropriate security policies and legislation: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives recognize CERIAS for their academic excellence in issues of information security and privacy.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to CERIAS.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

## House Resolution 72

Representatives Hasler, Becker, Avery, and Van Haaften introduced House Resolution 72:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring J. Jeff Hays and urging the Indiana State Armory Board to rename the Evansville National Guard Armory the J. Jeff Hays National Guard Armory.

*Whereas, J. Jeff Hays served twenty-four years in the Indiana General Assembly, from 1970 to 1996, representing Evansville's central city and southeastern Vanderburgh County;*

*Whereas, As a member of the House of Representatives, J. Jeff Hays served as the chairman of the Commerce Committee and held hearings on numerous utility and economic development issues;*

*Whereas, J. Jeff Hays served on the powerful Ways and Means Committee and helped develop major tax and fiscal legislation for Indiana;*

*Whereas, J. Jeff Hays received the Bronze Star for his valor during the Korean War;*

*Whereas, J. Jeff Hays, a University of Evansville graduate with a B.S. in marketing, is the father of five children, four daughters, and one son, and also has twelve grandchildren; and*

*Whereas, Great Hoosiers such as J. Jeff Hays deserve special recognition: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives respectfully requests that the Indiana State Armory Board rename the Evansville National Guard Armory the J. Jeff Hays National Guard Armory in honor of this great Hoosier.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to J. Jeff Hays and his family and to the members of the Indiana State Armory Board.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

## Senate Concurrent Resolution 29

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 29,

sponsored by Representatives Pierce and Welch:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION memorializing the life and career of James "Doc" Counsilman.

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman served as swim coach at Indiana University from 1957 until 1991;*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman lead the Indiana University Swim team to a 230-11 dual-meet record, which included 140 consecutive victories;*

*Whereas, under his leadership the Indiana University swim team won twenty consecutive Big Ten titles and six NCAA crowns;*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman was given his nickname "Doc" because of his doctorate degree earned from the University of Iowa, in addition he earned a master's degree from the University of Illinois and a Bachelor's degree from Ohio State;*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman guided United States Olympic men's swimming teams in 1964 and 1976 where twelve out of thirteen of his swimmers won their events;*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman was a key influence to Mark Spitz, winner of seven gold medals at the 1972 Olympics;*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman coached swimmers who won a total of forty-six Olympic medals including twenty-six gold medals;*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman was voted among the twenty-five most influential people in the history of USA Swimming;*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman was honored by the formation of the Counsilman Center for the Science of Swimming in Bloomington;*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman was the author of several books, including "The Science of Swimming";*

*Whereas, in 1979 James "Doc" Counsilman became the then oldest person, at that time, to swim the English Channel, swimming the 20.6 miles in thirteen hours and seventeen minutes;*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman became the oldest person, at that time, to swim from Alcatraz to San Francisco in fifty-four minutes in fifty-four degree water;*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman served his country valiantly in World War II completing thirty-two flying missions; and*

*Whereas, James "Doc" Counsilman passed away in Bloomington on January 4, 2004: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly memorializes and honors the life and career of James "Doc" Counsilman and his many contributions to the state of Indiana, Indiana University, and the United States.

SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate transmit a copy of this resolution to Marjorie Counsilman.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

## MOTIONS TO DISSENT FROM SENATE AMENDMENTS

### HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1300 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate and report back to the House.

BOTTORFF

Motion prevailed.

### HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that the House dissent from the Senate amendments to Engrossed House Bill 1448 and that the Speaker appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate



and report back to the House.

STILWELL

Motion prevailed.

### ENROLLED ACTS SIGNED

The Speaker announced that he had signed House Enrolled Acts 1018, 1024, 1046, 1051, 1072, 1087, 1114, 1132, 1135, 1154, 1202, 1204, 1360, and 1438 and Senate Enrolled Acts 86, 263, and 493 on February 26, 2004.

### OTHER BUSINESS ON THE SPEAKER'S TABLE

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has accepted and approved the Joint Rule 20 correction on Engrossed House Bill 1070.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has accepted and approved the Joint Rule 20 correction on Engrossed House Bill 1200.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1005:

Conferees: Kenley and Lanane  
Advisors: Miller and Hume

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1017:

Conferees: Gard and Hume  
Advisors: Lanane, Harrison, K. Adams, and Craycraft

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1032:

Conferees: Kenley and Bowser  
Advisors: Ford and Skinner

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1055:

Conferees: Borst and Simpson  
Advisors: Long and Hume

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1098:

Conferees: Wyss and Sipes

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1151:

Conferees: Zakas and Antich-Carr  
Advisors: Clark and Broden

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1171:

Conferees: Miller and Rogers  
Advisors: Dillon and S. Smith

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1203:

Conferees: Weatherwax and Lewis

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1207:

Conferees: Server and Broden  
Advisors: Alting and Dembowski

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1229:

Conferees: Bray and Lanane  
Advisors: Clark and Broden

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1254:

Conferees: Merritt and R. Young

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1264:

Conferees: Wyss and Broden  
Advisors: Zakas and Mrvan

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1266:

Conferees: Riegsecker and Broden

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1273:

Conferees: Miller and Lanane

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1285:

Conferees: Harrison and Lewis

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1320:

Conferees: Miller and Simpson

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1350:

Conferees: C. Lawson and Breaux  
Advisors: Riegsecker and Simpson

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1365:

Conferees: Borst and Simpson

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1434:

Conferees: Server and Howard  
Advisors: Ford and Simpson

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to confer on Engrossed House Bill 1437:

Conferees: Long and Howard  
Advisors: Bray and Lanane

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has not concurred in House amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill 194 and the President Pro Tempore has appointed the following Senators a conference committee to meet and confer with a like committee of the House on said bill, and to report thereon:

Conferees: Dillon, Chair, and Broden  
Advisors: Clark and Skinner

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed House Concurrent Resolutions 21, 23, 33, 35, and 39 and the same are herewith returned to the House.

MARY C. MENDEL  
Principal Secretary of the Senate

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative Thomas be removed as coauthor of House Bill 1050.

HINKLE

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Borrer, Leonard, and J. Lutz be added as cosponsors of Engrossed Senate Bill 352.

STEVENSON

Motion prevailed.

On the motion of Representative Stilwell, the House adjourned at 6:10 p.m., this first day of March, 2004, until Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at 1:30 p.m.

B. PATRICK BAUER  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

DIANE MASARIU CARTER  
Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives